QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Name of the Ingredients	Brief Description	Halal Status/Comments	
Gelatin	Usually of animal origin, mostly from hog skin and also from cattle.	• Can be consumed if they are from halal dhabiha animal.	
Lard/Lard Shortening	Fat/purified fat from swine.	• Haram	
Animal Shortening	Fats and oils of animal origin	Halal if from Dhabiha animal only	
Vegetable shortening	Fat and oils of plant origin	 Make sure the word "Pure" or 100% is there. Sometimes animal fats are added to it at 5-15%. 	
Rennet or listed as enzyme	Protein breaking enzymes used in cheese making	Halal if it is not from animal source.	
Lecithin	Emulsifier of fat	 The sources are mainly from soybean and egg yolk. 	
Glycerine	For maintaining moistness of food	Questionable – should ask the company about the source	
Glycerol monosterate	Moistness, emulsifier	Questionable	
Gum tragacanth	Thickener, binder and stabiliser	Questionable	
471 (Mono-glyceride and Di-glyceride)	Improve texture of food, emulsifiers	• Questionable. Halal, only when the source is plant	
Emulsifier in general such as 471, 472a, b, c, d, e, 473- 477, 480, 481, 482, 483, 491-495	Emulsifying agent used in bread, ice cream etc. Improve texture of food.	• Questionable. Halal only when the source is plant.	

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Vanilla or any flavouring		•	Questionable as it may
			contain alcohol if used in
	To improve the consumers		liquid form.
	sensory acceptability o the	•	Should ask the company if
	product. No nutritive value in it.		the final product has any
			traces of alcohol left after
			processing of food.
Colour		•	Questionable as it may
			contain alcohol in liquid
	To improve the consumers		form.
	sensory acceptability o the	•	Should ask the company if
	product. No nutritive value in it.		the final product has any
			traces of alcohol left after
			processing of food.
Whey		٠	Questionable. Ask if they
	Nutrient. Used in biscuits,		use any enzymes from
	confectionery etc.		animal source during
			cheese making
Yeast		•	Questionable as it
			produces ethyl alcohol
			during fermentation. This
	Fermenting agent		process may vary from
			product to product.
		•	Should obtain more info
			from the manufacturers.

SUSPECTED INGREDIENTS

E100, E110, E120, E 140, E141, E153, E210, E213, E214, E216, E234, E252, E270, E280, E325, E326, E327, E334, E335, E336, E337, E422, E430, E431, E432, E433, E434, E435, E436, E440, E470, E471, E472, E473, E474, E475, E476, E477, E478, E481, E482, E483, E491, E492, E493, E494, E495, E542, E570, E572, E631, E635, E904.