

## 2018 ORB Quinoa Policy

The ORB has adopted a similar policy for the use of quinoa as the Star-K, the cRc, and the OU.

Due to greater knowledge of quinoa farming and processing, most kashrus agencies have changed their policies to conform with their updated knowledge. The Star-K and the OU are supervising certain quinoa productions this year, and we are permitting only those productions into our facilities for Pesach 2018/5778.

No other packaging, even if packed by the same manufacturer, will be permitted. If you find quinoa with other kosher for Passover labels/certifications, please contact one of the ORB rabbis.

The OU, the Star-K, the cRc, and Kashrut.com have informative articles available about quinoa.

### Retail

**Andean Valley Growers** (From Bolivia. Must bear Star-K, no “P” needed)

Green Quinoa Brand – raw whole grain quinoa only

White Grain Royal Quinoa, 12 oz. only

Red Grain Royal Quinoa, 12 oz. only

Tri-Color Grain Royal Quinoa, 12 oz. only

**Ancient Harvest Brand** (This will be from last year’s supply)

must bear Star-K (no “P” needed)

must bear “best by” date of 02/01/19 through 02/28/19 (This is from 2017)

Inca Red Grains Quinoa (all sizes)

Tricolor Grains Harmony Blend Quinoa (all sizes)

White Grains Traditional Quinoa (all sizes)

**Goldbaum’s**

must bear OU-P

**LaBonne**

must bear OU-P

**Pereg**

must bear OU-P

**Sugat Quinoa** (Israel)

must bear Badatz Yerushalayim

**Pereg Quinoa Flour**

must bear OU-P

### Foodservice

**Ancient Harvest**

50 lb sacks Star-K (no “P” needed) (This is from 2017.)

Other brands of quinoa will be accepted only if they bear an acceptable kosher for Passover hechsher.

Leftover bags of quinoa used for Pesach last year may be used this year as well. However, one should check that they are not infested with insects.

The OU is also certifying (OU-P) canihua, kiwicha, and maca seeds.