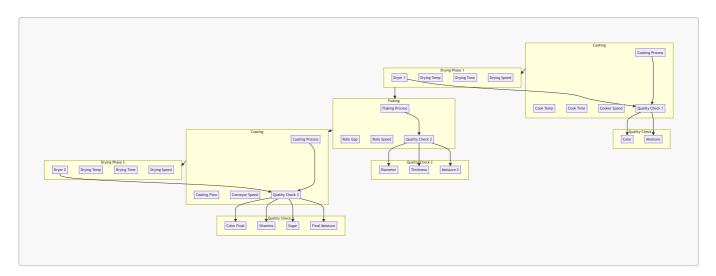
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Cereal Manufacturing Process Documentation

Process Overview



Process Parameters and Specifications

1. Cooking Process

• Cook Temperature

Range: 450°F ± 10°F

o Relations: High correlation with Color

Cook Time

Range: 20-30 minutes

Cooker Speed

Range: 50 rpm ± 5 rpm

2. Dryer 1

• Drying Temperature

Range: 250°F ± 10°F

o Relations: High correlation with Moisture

Drying Time

• Range: 10 minutes ± 1 minute

Drying Speed

Range: 400 ft/min ± 20 ft/min

3. Quality Checks 1

Moisture

o Range: 0-100%

o Target: 20% ± 2%

o Critical: High relation to flaking quality

Color

o Range: 1-10

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- o Target: 6-8
- Note: Marketing requirement, no downstream impact

4. Flaking Process

Flaking Rolls Gap

- Range: 2mm ± 0.1mm
- o Critical: High relation to Thickness and Diameter

Flaking Rolls Speed

o Range: 300 rpm ± 10 rpm

5. Quality Checks 2

• Moisture 2

- o Range: 0-100%
- o Target: 20% ± 2%

Thickness

- o Range: 0-1mm
- o Target: 0.5-0.9mm
- o Critical: Direct impact on First-Pass Quality

Diameter

- o Range: 2-10mm
- o Target: 4-8mm
- o Critical: Direct impact on First-Pass Quality

6. Coating Process

Coating Flow

- Range: 2 gal/min ± 0.1 gal/min
- Relations: High correlation with Sugar and Vitamins content

Conveyor Speed

Range: 400 ft/min ± 10 ft/min

7. Dryer 2

Drying Temperature

- Range: 250°F ± 10°F
- Relations: High correlation with Final Moisture

• Drying Time

• Range: 10 minutes ± 1 minute

Drying Speed

• Range: 400 ft/min ± 20 ft/min

8. Quality Checks 3

• Final Moisture

- o Range: 0-100%
- o Target: 20% ± 2%
- o Critical: Out of spec requires scrapping

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• Sugar

o Range: 0-100%

o Target: 40% ± 5%

o Critical: Out of spec requires scrapping

Vitamins

o Range: 0-100%

o Target: 10% ± 2%

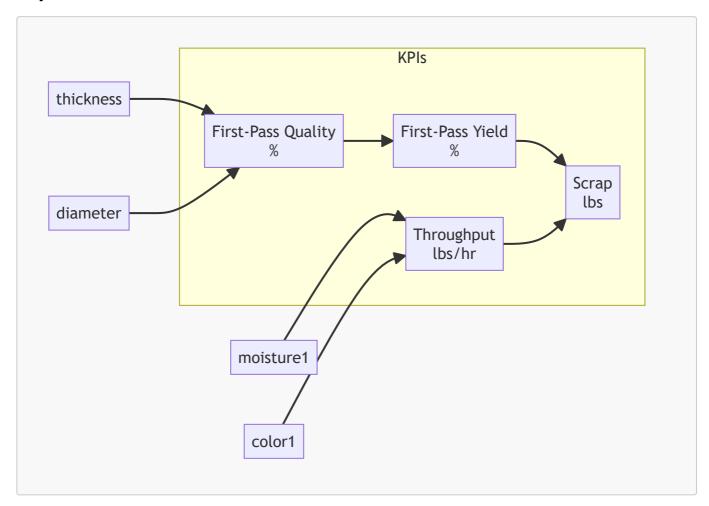
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Color Final

Range: 1-10Target: 6-8

Note: Marketing requirement

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)



Critical Relationships

1. First-Pass Quality

- o Primarily determined by Thickness and Diameter specifications
- Must meet all quality parameters to achieve 100%

2. First-Pass Yield

- Directly influenced by First-Pass Quality
- o Represents actual production efficiency

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3. Scrap

- Generated from:
 - Out-of-spec thickness/diameter
 - Moisture content deviation
 - Sugar/Vitamin content deviation
- o Inversely related to First-Pass Yield

4. Throughput

- o Influenced by:
 - Cooker Speed
 - Drying Speeds
 - Moisture Content