

# LifeSpan® Modified Atmosphere Packaging (MAP)

LifeSpan<sup>®</sup> box liners are an innovation in post-harvest packaging that extend the storage life of fresh produce. Used commercially for over 15 years, LifeSpan<sup>®</sup> is now an important packaging component for many of the worlds leading fresh produce exporters.

# LifeSpan<sup>®</sup> for Broccolini

LifeSpan<sup>®</sup> can be used for Broccolini whenever distribution is through a well managed cool chain. Stored at  $0-2^{\circ}C/32-36^{\circ}F$ , it is possible to hold Broccolini for up to 21 days in LifeSpan<sup>®</sup> liners and still have good commercial quality at out-turn.

This result can be achieved without the need to top ice the Broccolini, thus saving costs and reducing the potential for bacterial and fungal growths on wet Broccolini.

## How it works

LifeSpan<sup>®</sup> MAP Packaging allows the creation of a low oxygen ( $O_2$ ), high carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ) and, high humidity atmosphere inside a liner.

The oxygen and carbon dioxide permeability of LifeSpan<sup>®</sup> Broccolini products is specifically designed for the respiration rate of Broccolini. The modified atmosphere created will significantly reduce the respiration rate of the Broccolini.

#### Benefits of LifeSpan® with Broccolini

• Extends the post harvest life of Broccolini by slowing down the aging processes

- Preserve fresh flavour and nutritional value
- No loss of moisture maintains turgid stems, leaves and florets
- Maintains green colour of Broccolini by preventing chlorophyll degradation

#### Benefits of Iceless Packaging achieved with LifeSpan®

- As the ice melts, the water that forms is a preferred environment for bacterial and fungal growths.
- Water is a problem when the Broccolini is unpacked in a retail store. Water spillages cause slip hazards to both retail staff and customers.
- Elimination of ice allows cheaper rigid packaging to be used. A simple corrugated board box will remain dry.
- Ice occupies space within each box. With the elimination of ice, this space becomes available to hold additional Broccolini, allowing greater load weights to be transported.





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