

Standard 1.2.1

Application of Labelling and Other Information Requirements

Purpose

This Standard sets out the application of general labelling and other information requirements contained in Part 1.2. and labelling and information requirements specific to certain foods in Chapter 2 of this Code. This Part sets out the labelling requirements for food for sale and information that must be provided in conjunction with the sale of certain foods, where labelling is not required. Food Product Standards in Chapter 2 may impose additional labelling and information requirements for specific classes of food.

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Clauses

1 Interpretation

In this Part-

foods for catering purposes means those foods for use in restaurants, canteens, schools, caterers or self catering institutions, where food is offered for immediate consumption.

intra company transfer means a transfer of food between elements of a single company, between subsidiaries of a parent company or between subsidiaries of a parent company and the parent company.

retail sale means sale to the public.

small package means a package with a surface area of less than 100cm².

transportation outer means a package which encases packaged or unpackaged foods for the purpose of transportation and distribution and which is removed before the food is used or offered for retail sale or which is not taken away by the purchaser of the food.

2 Labelling of food for retail sale or for catering purposes

(1) Subject to subclause (2), food for retail sale or for catering purposes must bear a label setting out all the information prescribed in this Code, except where –

- (a) the food is other than in a package; or
- (b) the food is in inner packages not designed for sale without an outer package other than individual portion packs which must bear a label containing a declaration of certain substances in accordance with clause 4 of Standard 1.2.3; or
- (c) the food is made and packaged on the premises from which it is sold; or
- (d) the food is packaged in the presence of the purchaser; or
- (e) the food is whole or cut fresh fruit and vegetables, except sprouting seeds or similar products, in packages that do not obscure the nature or quality of the fruit or vegetables; or
- (f) the food is delivered packaged, and ready for consumption, at the express order of the purchaser; or
- (g) the food is sold at a fund raising event.

(2) Notwithstanding subclause (1), food for retail sale or for catering purposes must comply with any requirements specified in –

- (a) subclause 2(2) of Standard 1.2.3; and
- (b) subclause 3(2) of Standard 1.2.3; and
- (c) subclause 4(2) of Standard 1.2.3; and
- (d) subclause 5(2) of Standard 1.2.3; and
- (e) subclause 4(2) of Standard 1.2.8; and
- (f) subclause 4(3) of Standard 1.2.8; and
- (g) clause 6 of Standard 1.5.3; and
- (h) subclause 2(2) of Standard 1.2.10; and
- (i) subclause 4(3) of Standard 2.2.1; and
- (j) clauses 5, 6, and 10 of Standard 2.2.1; and
- (k) clause 3 of Standard 2.2.3; and
- (l) subclause 3(2) of Standard 2.6.3.

3 Labelling of food not for retail sale etc.

Food –

- (a) not for retail sale; or
- (b) not for catering purposes; or
- (c) supplied as an intra company transfer;

must bear a label containing the information prescribed in clauses 1, 2 and 3 of Standard 1.2.2, except where the –

- (d) food is other than in a package; or

- (e) food is in an inner package or packages contained in an outer package where the label on the outer package includes the information prescribed in clauses 1, 2 and 3 of Standard 1.2.2; or
- (f) food is in a transportation outer where the information that would be required on the transportation outer is clearly discernible on the labels on or attached to the packages contained within the transportation outer.

4 Provision of information in relation to food not for retail sale etc.

(1) Where a purchaser or relevant authority has so requested, a package of food which is -

- (a) not for retail sale; or
- (b) not for catering purposes; or
- (c) supplied as an intra company transfer;

must be accompanied by sufficient information in relation to that food to enable the purchaser to comply with the -

- (d) compositional requirements of this Code; and
- (e) labelling or other declaration requirements of this Code.

(2) The information referred to in subclause (1) must be supplied in writing where the relevant authority or purchaser has so requested.

Editorial note:

Under paragraph 3(b) food for catering purposes must be labelled in accordance with clause 2. Therefore, the labelling requirements for food for retail sale also apply to food for catering purposes.