

Standard 1.2.11 – Country of Origin Labelling

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STANDARD 1.2.11
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN LABELLING

(Australia only)

Purpose and commentary

This Standard sets out the requirements for country of origin labelling for packaged foods and certain unpackaged foods. These requirements do not apply in New Zealand.

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Clauses

1 Application

(1) This Standard does not apply to a food that is offered for immediate consumption where the food is sold by –

- (a) restaurants; or
- (b) canteens; or
- (c) schools; or
- (d) caterers or self-catering institutions; or
- (e) prisons; or
- (f) hospitals; or
- (g) other similar institutions listed in the Table to clause 8 of Standard 1.2.1.

(2) Subclause 1(2) of Standard 1.1.1 does not apply to this Standard.

2 Country of origin labelling for packaged food

(1) Subclause (2) applies to food in a package.

(2) The food must be labelled with –

- (a) a statement on the package that identifies the country where the food was made, produced or grown; or
- (b) a statement on the package –
 - (i) that identifies the country where the food was manufactured or packaged; and
 - (ii) to the effect that the food is constituted from ingredients imported into that country or from local and imported ingredients.

(3) However, subclause (4) applies to food in a package if –

- (a) the food is unprocessed fruit and vegetables, whether whole or cut; and
- (b) the food is displayed for retail sale; and
- (c) the package does not obscure the nature or quality of the food.

(4) The food must be labelled with a statement on the package or in connection with the display of the package which –

- (a) identifies the country or countries of origin of the fruit and vegetables; or
- (b) indicates that the fruit and vegetables are a mix of local and imported foods; or
- (c) indicates that the fruit and vegetables are a mix of imported foods.

3 Country of origin labelling for certain unpackaged food

(1) Food listed in the Table to this subclause that is displayed for retail sale other than in a package must be labelled with a statement on or in connection with the display of the food which –

- (a) identifies the country or countries of origin of the food; or
- (b) indicates that the food is a mix of local and imported foods; or
- (c) indicates that the food is a mix of imported foods.

Table to subclause 3(1)

Column 1	Column 2
Item	Food
1	Fish, including fish that has been mixed or coated with one or more other foods
2	Pork
3	Fruit and vegetables
4	Beef
5	Veal
6	Lamb
7	Hogget
8	Mutton
9	Chicken
10	A mix of foods mentioned in this Table

(2) In this clause, a food listed in Column 2 of the Table to subclause 3(1) includes a food that has been –

- (a) cut, filleted, sliced, minced or diced; or
- (b) pickled, cured, dried, smoked, frozen or preserved by other means; or
- (c) marinated; or
- (d) cooked.

(3) In addition to the requirements of Standard 1.2.9, the statement required by subclause (1) must be at least 9 mm in height, unless the food is in a refrigerated assisted service display cabinet, in which case it must be at least 5 mm in height.