Standard 1.2.3 Information requirements – warning statements, advisory statements and declarations

***Note 1*** This instrument is a standard under the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991* (Cth). The standards together make up the *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code.* See also section 1.1.1—3.

***Note 2*** The provisions of the Code that apply in New Zealand are incorporated in, or adopted under, the *Food Act 2014* (NZ). See also section 1.1.1—3.

1.2.3—1 Name

This Standard is *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code* – Standard 1.2.3 – Information requirements – warning statements, advisory statements and declarations.

***Note*** Commencement:This Standard commences on 1 March 2016, being the date specified as the commencement date in notices in the *Gazette* and the New Zealand Gazette under section 92 of the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991* (Cth). See also section 93 of that Act.

1.2.3—2 Mandatory advisory statements

(1) For the labelling provisions, if a food is listed in Column 1 of the table in section S9—2, the corresponding advisory statement in Column 2 of that table is required.

(2) For the labelling provisions, an advisory statement to the effect that excess consumption may have a laxative effect is required for a food that contains:

(a) one or more of the following substances, either alone or in combination, at a level of or in excess of 10 g/100 g:

(i) lactitol;

(ii) maltitol;

(iii) maltitol syrup;

(iv) mannitol;

(v) xylitol; or

(b) one or more of the following substances, either alone or in combination, at a level of or in excess of 25 g/100 g:

(i) erythritol;

(ii) isomalt;

(iii) polydextrose;

(iv) sorbitol; or

(c) one or more of the substances listed in paragraph (a), in combination with one or more of the substances listed in paragraph (b), at a level of or in excess of 10 g/100 g.

***Note*** The labelling provisions are set out in Standard 1.2.1.

1.2.3—3 Mandatory warning statement—royal jelly

For the labelling provisions, if a food is or includes as an ingredient royal jelly, the following \*warning statement is required: ‘This product contains royal jelly which has been reported to cause severe allergic reactions and in rare cases, fatalities, especially in asthma and allergy sufferers’.

***Note*** The labelling provisions are set out in Standard 1.2.1.

1.2.3—4 Mandatory declaration of certain foods or substances in food

(1) For the labelling provisions, if any of the following foods or substances is present in a food for sale in a manner listed in subsection (2), a declaration that the food or substance is present is required:

(a) added sulphites in concentrations of 10 mg/kg or more;

(b) any of the following foods, or products of those foods:

(i) cereals containing \*gluten, namely, wheat, rye, barley, oats and spelt and their hybridised strains other than:

(A) where these substances are present in beer and spirits; or

(B) glucose syrups that are made from wheat starch and that:

(a) have been subject to a refining process that has removed gluten protein content to the lowest level that is reasonably achievable; and

(b) have a gluten protein content that does not exceed 20 mg/kg; or

(C) alcohol distilled from wheat;

(ii) crustacea;

(iii) egg;

(iv) fish, except for isinglass derived from swim bladders and used as a clarifying agent in beer or wine;

(v) milk, other than alcohol distilled from whey;

(vi) peanuts;

(vii) soybeans other than:

(A) soybean oil that has been degummed, neutralised, bleached and deodorised; or

(B) soybean derivatives that are a tocopherol or a phytosterol;

(viii) sesame seeds;

(ix) tree nuts, other than coconut from the fruit of the palm *Cocos nucifera*.

(2) For subsection (1), the food or substance may be present as:

(a) an ingredient or as an ingredient of a \*compound ingredient; or

(b) a substance \*used as a food additive, or an ingredient or component of such a substance; or

(c) a substance or food \*used as a processing aid, or an ingredient or component of such a substance or food.

***Note*** The labelling provisions are set out in Standard 1.2.1.

(3) To avoid doubt, subsection (1) does not require a declaration of the presence of a food or a product that is derived from a food or product that is exempt from declaration under paragraph 1.2.3—4(1)(b).

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Amendment History

The Amendment History provides information about each amendment to the Standard. The information includes commencement or cessation information for relevant amendments.

These amendments are made under section 92 of the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991* unless otherwise indicated. Amendments do not have a specific date for cessation unless indicated as such.

**About this compilation**

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| 1.2.3—4(1) | 168 | F2017L00414  11 April 2017  FSC110  13 April 2017 | 13 April 2017 | am | Insert ‘or’ after section 1.2.3—4(1)(b)(i)(B)(b). |
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