

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT STANDARDS ACT, 1990 (ACT No. 119 OF 1990)

**REGULATIONS REGARDING THE CLASSIFICATION, PACKING AND MARKING OF CERTAIN RAW
PROCESSED MEAT PRODUCTS INTENDED FOR SALE IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA:
AMENDMENT**

The Minister for Agriculture has under section 15 of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No. 119 of 1990), made the regulations in the schedule.



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MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In this Schedule **“the Regulations”** means the regulations published by Government Notice No. R. 2410 of 26 August 2022.

Amendment of regulation 1 of the Regulations

2. Regulation 1 of the Regulation is hereby amended by –

(a) the deletion of the definition for **“meat analogue”**; and

(b) the substitution of the definition for **“scale label”** with the following:

“scale label” means a label that is printed by an electronic (weighing machine) mainly for the purpose of indicating the weight and price of the product, but which may also include other information about the product concerning such as e.g. abbreviated description of the product and/or best before date”;

Amendment of regulation 2 of the Regulations

3. Regulation 2 of the Regulations is hereby amended by deletion of subregulation (2)(c).

Amendment of regulation 3 of the Regulations

4. Regulation 3 of the Regulations is hereby amended by deletion of subregulation (3).

Amendment of regulation 8 of the Regulations

5. Regulation 8 of the Regulations is hereby amended by insertion of the following subregulation after subregulation (4)(d):

“(e) the price of the raw processed meat product.”.

Amendment of regulation 10 of the Regulations

6. Regulation 10 of the Regulations is hereby amended by substitution of the regulation with the following:

“(1) each container containing raw processed meat products shall be clearly marked with a batch code in such a way that the specific batch is easily identifiable and traceable and shall not be removed or altered by any person.

(2) (a) If a date marking appears on a container such as “best before”, “best before quality”, “use by” or “expiration day” or any other suitable indications may serve as the batch code referred to in subregulation (1).

(b) if raw processed meat products are packed in an outer container which will during normal usage be discarded by the consumer, the batch code shall appear on each individual container that will be retained by the consumer until consumption.”

Amendment of regulation 15 of the Regulations

7. Regulation 15 of the Regulations is hereby amended by insertion of the following subregulation after subregulation (2):

“(3) (a) The total meat content shall not be two percent or more than two percent lower than the prescribed meat content for that specific raw processed meat product.

(b) The fat content (as analysed) shall not differ by more than two percent from the prescribed fat content for that specific raw processed meat product.”

Commencement

8. These regulations shall come into operation on the date of publication thereof.