NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** SOUTH AFRICA  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Department of Health Directorate: Food Control |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):**   * Meat and edible meat offal (HS Code(s): 02); * Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates (HS Code(s): 03); * Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included (HS Code(s): 04); * Products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included (HS Code(s): 05); * Coffee, tea, maté and spices (HS Code(s): 09); * Cereals (HS Code(s): 10); * Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes (HS Code(s): 15); * Preparations of meat, of fish or of crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates (HS Code(s): 16); * Sugars and sugar confectionery (HS Code(s): 17); * Cocoa and cocoa preparations (HS Code(s): 18); * Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk; pastrycooks' products (HS Code(s): 19); * Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants (HS Code(s): 20); * Miscellaneous edible preparations (HS Code(s): 21); * Beverages, spirits and vinegar (HS Code(s): 22); * Salt; sulphur; earths and stone; plastering materials, lime and cement (HS Code(s): 25). |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X]** **All trading partners**  **[****]** **Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Regulations relating to the labelling and advertising of Foodstuffs (NO. R3287 OF 14 April 2023) published for public comment.**Language(s):**English. **Number of pages:** 245  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/ZAF/23\_9129\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/ZAF/23_9129_00_e.pdf" \t "_blank)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/ZAF/23_9129_01_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The proposed Draft Regulation makes provision for the labelling and advertising of pre-packaged foodstuffs under the control of the Department of Health, in terms of the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act 54 of 1972). |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [****]****animal health, [****]****plant protection, [****]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [****]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[****X]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  Codex Stan 1:1985 General standard for the labelling of pre-packaged foods  **[****]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[****]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[****]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X]** **Yes [****]** **No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**   * Draft Guidelines applicable to the draft regulations relating the Labelling and Advertising of foodstuffs (No. R.3287 of 14 April 2023) for compliance purposes (108 pages, available in English) * Nutrient profiling model calculator on web page of the Directorate: Food Control of the website of the Department of Health: <http://www.health.gov.za/fl.php> * Codex Stan 1:1985 General standard for the labelling of pre-packaged foods * SANS 885:2011 |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** The Draft Regulations are published for comments and will be adopted once comments received have been considered.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** After publication of the final regulations.  **[****X]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 18 June 2023  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  Department of Health  Directorate: Food Control  Private Bag X828  Pretoria 0001  Tel: +(27 12) 395 8789  Fax: +(27 12) 395 8854  E-mail: [Foodcontrol@health.gov.za](mailto:Foodcontrol@health.gov.za)  copy: [CACPSA@health.gov.za](mailto:CACPSA@health.gov.za) |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  Department of Health  Directorate: Food Control  Private Bag X828  Pretoria 0001  Tel: +(27 12) 395 8789  Fax: +(27 12) 395 8854  E-mail: [Foodcontrol@health.gov.za](mailto:Foodcontrol@health.gov.za)  copy: [CACPSA@health.gov.za](mailto:CACPSA@health.gov.za) |