

FOOD LAW (EXCERPT)
Act 92 of 2000

289.7129 Food subject to standards; identification; common or usual name.

Sec. 7129. (1) If a food is subject to a standard established under this chapter, it shall be identified by the name required by that standard. If no standard applies, the product shall be identified by its common or usual name. If no common or usual name exists, the product shall be identified by an appropriately descriptive name that is not misleading and that accurately identifies or describes, in as simple and direct terms as possible, the basic nature of the food and its characterizing ingredients or properties. A product manufactured or sold under the provisions of this act, which is sold in closed or sealed packages shall bear a complete label. The label shall bear the true name of the product as defined in this act, an ingredient statement if the product contains more than 1 ingredient, the net weight of the product, and the name and address of the manufacturer.

(2) Products sold from bulk retail displays shall bear a sign or placard containing the true and approved name of the product. If the product contains more than 1 ingredient, an ingredient statement shall be placarded, posted, or otherwise available for the customer in written form.

(3) Meat products using antioxidants shall indicate on the label, or in the absence of a label an adjacent placard, their presence and purpose.

(4) Meat products containing monosodium glutamate, hydrolyzed vegetable protein, or any other source of monosodium glutamate shall indicate on the label or, in the absence of a label, an adjacent placard in its presence.

(5) The meat ingredients in a meat product that specifies 1 type of meat in its name, such as ham loaf, pork loaf, veal patties, or turkey sausage, shall be entirely from the species indicated in the product name. The meat in a meat product that specifies more than 1 type of meat in its name, such as beef and turkey sausage, shall be entirely from the types indicated, and shall contain at least 20% of each meat. A meat product that contains a type of meat consisting of less than 20% of that meat may be labeled as "(product) _____ added" or "product with _____", inserting the common name of that meat. Sausage labeled or advertised as all meat or all beef shall not contain any nonfat dry milk solids or dry whole milk.

(6) All required words and numbers shall be legible to potential customers.

History: 2000, Act 92, Eff. Nov. 8, 2000.

Compiler's note: Sec. 1117 of Act 92 of 2000 provides:

"Sec. 1117. (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), this act takes effect 6 months after the date of enactment.

"(2) Until 6 months after the effective date of this act, compliance with the standards of the design, construction, and equipment of a food service establishment approved under former sections 12901, 12902, 12903, 12904, 12905a, 12906, 12907, 12908, 12910, 12911, 12912, 12913, 12916, and 12921 of the public health code, MCL 333.12901, 333.12902, 333.12903, 333.12904, 333.12905a, 333.12906, 333.12907, 333.12908, 333.12910, 333.12911, 333.12912, 333.12913, 333.12916, and 333.12921, is considered compliance with this act.

"(3) Beginning 6 months after the effective date of this act, a food service establishment shall comply with the standards of design, construction, and equipment established under this act."