

## **Regulations Governing the Labeling of Caffeine of Prepackaged Caffeinated Beverages**

1. The regulations are prescribed in accordance with Subparagraph 10 of Paragraph 1 of Article 22 of the Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation.
2. The product names and labeling of prepackaged caffeinated beverages shall meet the following requirements.
  - (1) For a product that contains more than 20mg/100mL caffeine, the caffeine content shall be measured and labelled in milligrams of caffeine in 100 mL of coffee. The tolerance allowed shall be ruled by the the factory standard.
  - (2) For a product that contains less than 20mg/100mL caffeine, its caffeine content shall be indicated as "Less than 20mg/100mL of caffeine".
  - (3) Coffee, tea and chocolate beverages that contain less than 2mg/100mL caffeine can use the term "low caffeine" instead of "Less than 20mg/100mL of caffeine".
3. Instant coffee powder sold in small prepackage shall indicate its caffeine content by the amount of caffeine contained in serving per bag. The tolerance allowed shall be ruled by the factory standard.
4. This regulation does not apply to other kinds of beverage sold in the form of powder.
5. The caffeine content labeling mentioned in preceding paragraphs shall not be included in the Nutrition Facts label, so as not to make consumers mistake caffeine for nutrient.
6. This announcement shall come into force since January 1, 2008. (Subject to the date of manufacture)
7. If the manufacturer fails to use up the inventory of packaging materials before the implementation date of the announcement, it shall report to the local health bureau through the association on the amount of inventory and the estimated usage period before December 1, 2007.