

# Regulation for the Labeling of Freshly Made Beverages in Chain Drink Stores, Convenience Stores, and Fast Food Restaurants

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### Article 1

The Regulations are prescribed in accordance with Paragraph 2 of Article 25 of the Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation.

## **Article 2**

Chain beverage stores, convenience stores and fast food restaurants (hereinafter referred to as chain stores) that have a taxation registration certificate and sell freshly made beverages shall follow this regulation.

#### Article 3

The chain operators mentioned in the preceding Section refer to those who use the same name in the company or business registration, or use the same name through franchise, authorization, etc.

#### **Article 4**

For beverages prepared on site, the amounts of total sugar and total calorie in the drink shall be labeled. The acceptable error range of the labeled total sugar and total calorie shall comply with the provisions of "Regulations on Nutrition Labeling for Prepackaged Food Products". The amounts of total sugar and total calorie can be expressed by the highest value of the content, in which case the term "the highest value" shall be labeled.

The amount of total sugar in the preceding Section can be expressed in the number of sugar cubes (with each sugar cube calculated as 5 grams).

For on-site prepared beverages containing caffeine, the highest value of the total caffeine content in the beverage shall be labeled as "the highest value"; or the total caffeine content shall be indicated with red, yellow, and green marks or symbols.

(1) Red represents the total caffeine content above 201 mg per cup.



- (2) Yellow represents the total caffeine content between 101 mg and 200 mg per cup.
- (3) Green represents the total caffeine content below 100 mg per cup.

#### Article 5

Beverages containing tea or coffee, or named with fruits or vegetables shall be labeled according to the following regulations:

# (1) Beverages with tea or tea spices:

- For beverages prepared with tea leaves, tea powder, tea soup, concentrated tea soup, or raw materials obtained from natural tea leaves, the (country of) origin of the raw tea materials shall be indicated. For raw tea materials from more than one origins (country), the origins shall be labeled in the descending order of the amount of content.
- 2. For beverages containing no tea leaves, tea powder, tea soup, concentrated tea soup, or raw materials obtained from natural tea leaves, but prepared with tea spices, the phrase of "OO flavor" shall be used in the product names.

# (2) Beverages with coffee:

For beverages prepared with coffee, the (country of) origin of the coffee shall be indicated. For raw coffee materials from more than one origins (country), the origins shall be labeled in the descending order of the amount of content.

## (3) For beverages named with fruits or vegetables:

- 1. Beverages containing more than 10% of fruit or vegetable content can use "OO juice" as the product name.
- 2. Beverages containing less than 10% of fruit or vegetable content shall use "OO drink" in the product name, or synonymous terms.
- 3. Beverages containing no fruit and vegetable content shall use "OO



flavor" or "OO taste" in the product name.

## **Article 6**

The food labeling shall be in Chinese in the forms of cards, notes on the menu, marks (labels), notice plaques (boards), QR Codes or other electronic forms, and shall be displayed by either posting, hanging, erecting (inserting), sticking or utilizing in other ways which are clearly visible.

Those who choose to label the products with notes on the menu shall make sure that the font size is no less than 2 millimeters in height and width. Those who choose to label the products with other forms shall make sure that the font size is no less than 1 centimeter in height and width.

## **Article 7**

Labelling in the forms of QR Codes or other electronic forms in the preceding paragraph shall include the phrase "Scan to obtain the labeling information" or synonymous terms above or below the labeling, and mobile devices for decoding the code shall be provided on site.