

Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 October 2004 on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food and repealing Directives 80/590/EEC and 89/109/EEC

*Article 15*

**Labelling**

1 Without prejudice to the specific measures referred to in Article 5, materials and articles, which are not yet in contact with food when placed on the market, shall be accompanied by:

- a the words ‘for food contact’, or a specific indication as to their use, such as coffee machine, wine bottle, soup spoon, or the symbol reproduced in Annex II;  
and
- b if necessary, special instructions to be observed for safe and appropriate use;  
and
- c the name or trade name and, in either case, the address or registered office of the manufacturer, processor, or seller responsible for placing on the market <sup>F1</sup>...;  
and
- d adequate labelling or identification to ensure traceability of the material or article, as described in Article 17;  
and
- e in the case of active materials and articles, information on the permitted use or uses and other relevant information such as the name and quantity of the substances released by the active component so as to enable food business operators who use these materials and articles to comply with any other [<sup>F2</sup>retained EU law or any other enactments] applicable to food, including the provisions on food labelling.

2 The information referred to in paragraph 1(a) shall not, however, be obligatory for any articles which, because of their characteristics, are clearly intended to come into contact with food.

3 The information required by paragraph 1 shall be conspicuous, clearly legible and indelible.

4 Retail trade in materials and articles shall be prohibited if the information required under paragraph (1)(a), (b) and (e) is not given [<sup>F3</sup>in English, or in English and Welsh].

<sup>F45</sup> .....

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7 At the retail stage, the information required under paragraph 1 shall be displayed on:

- a the materials and articles or on their packaging;  
or
- b labels affixed to the materials and articles or to their packaging;  
or

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- c a notice in the immediate vicinity of the materials and articles and clearly visible to purchasers; for the information referred to in paragraph 1(c), however, this option shall be open only if, for technical reasons, that information or a label bearing it cannot be affixed to the materials and articles at either the manufacturing or the marketing stage.

8 At the marketing stages other than the retail stage, the information required by paragraph 1 shall be displayed on:

- a the accompanying documents;
- or
- b the labels or packaging;
- or
- c the materials and articles themselves.

9 The information provided for in paragraph 1(a), (b) and (e) shall be confined to materials and articles which comply with:

- a the criteria laid down in Article 3 and, where they apply, Article 4;
- and
- b the specific measures referred to in Article 5 or [<sup>F5</sup>any other enactment] applicable to these materials and articles.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Art. 15(1)(c) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/704\)](#), regs. 1, **24(a)(i)** (as substituted by S.I. 2020/1504, regs. 1(2), **16(4)**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**
- F2** Words in Art. 15(1)(e) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/704\)](#), regs. 1, **24(a)(ii)** (as substituted by S.I. 2020/1504, regs. 1(2), **16(4)**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**
- F3** Words in Art. 15(4) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/704\)](#), regs. 1, **24(b)** (as substituted by S.I. 2020/1504, regs. 1(2), **16(4)**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**
- F4** Art. 15(5)(6) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/704\)](#), regs. 1, **24(c)** (as substituted by S.I. 2020/1504, regs. 1(2), **16(4)**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**
- F5** Words in Art. 15(9) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/704\)](#), regs. 1, **24(d)** (as substituted by S.I. 2020/1504, regs. 1(2), **16(4)**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**

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