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ANNEX VII

INDICATION AND DESIGNATION OF INGREDIENTS

PART A —

SPECIFIC PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE INDICATION
OF INGREDIENTS BY DESCENDING ORDER OF WEIGHT

Category of ingredient	Provision concerning indication by weight
1. Added water and volatile products	Shall be listed in order of their weight in the finished product. The amount of water added as an ingredient in a food shall be calculated by deducting from the total amount of the finished product the total amount of the other ingredients used. This amount shall not be required to be taken into consideration if it does not exceed 5 % by weight of the finished product. This derogation does not apply to meat, meat preparations, unprocessed fishery products and unprocessed bivalve molluscs
2. Ingredients used in concentrated or dehydrated form and reconstituted at the time of manufacture	May be listed in order of weight as recorded before their concentration or dehydration
3. Ingredients used in concentrated or dehydrated foods, which are intended to be reconstituted by the addition of water	May be listed in order of proportion in the reconstituted product provided that the list of ingredients is accompanied by an expression, such as ‘ingredients of the reconstituted product’, or ‘ingredients of the ready-to-use product’
4. Fruit, vegetables or mushrooms, none of which significantly predominates in terms of weight and which are used in proportions that are likely to vary, used in a mixture as ingredients of a food	May be grouped together in the list of ingredients under the designation ‘fruit’, ‘vegetables’ or ‘mushrooms’ followed by the phrase ‘in varying proportions’, immediately followed by a list of the fruit, vegetables or mushrooms present. In such cases, the mixture shall be included in the list of ingredients in accordance with Article 18(1), on the basis of the total weight of the fruit, vegetables or mushrooms present
5. Mixtures of spices or herbs, where none significantly predominates in proportion by weight	May be listed in different order provided that that list of ingredients is accompanied by an expression such as ‘in variable proportion’

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6.	Ingredients constituting less than 2 % of the finished product	May be listed in a different order after the other ingredients
7.	Ingredients, which are similar or mutually substitutable, likely to be used in the manufacture or preparation of a food without altering its composition, its nature or its perceived value, and in so far as they constitute less than 2 % of the finished product	May be referred to in the list of ingredients by means of the statement ‘contains ... and/ or ...’, where at least one of no more than two ingredients is present in the finished product. This provision shall not apply to food additives or to ingredients listed in Part C of this Annex, and to substances or products listed in Annex II causing allergies or intolerances
8.	Refined oils of vegetable origin	May be grouped together in the list of ingredients under the designation ‘vegetable oils’ followed immediately by a list of indications of specific vegetable origin, and may be followed by the phrase ‘in varying proportions’. If grouped together, vegetable oils shall be included in the list of ingredients in accordance with Article 18(1), on the basis of the total weight of the vegetable oils present. The expression ‘fully hydrogenated’ or ‘partly hydrogenated’, as appropriate, must accompany the indication of a hydrogenated oil
9.	Refined fats of vegetable origin	May be grouped together in the list of ingredients under the designation ‘vegetable fats’ followed immediately by a list of indications of specific vegetable origin, and may be followed by the phrase ‘in varying proportions’. If grouped together, vegetable fats shall be included in the list of ingredients in accordance with Article 18(1), on the basis of the total weight of the vegetable fats present. The expression ‘fully hydrogenated’ or ‘partly hydrogenated’, as appropriate, must accompany the indication of a hydrogenated fat

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