

Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2011 on the provision of food information to consumers, amending Regulations (EC) No 1924/2006 and (EC) No 1925/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Commission Directive 87/250/EEC, Council Directive 90/496/EEC, Commission Directive 1999/10/EC, Directive 2000/13/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, Commission Directives 2002/67/EC and 2008/5/EC and Commission Regulation (EC) No 608/2004 (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER V

VOLUNTARY FOOD INFORMATION

Article 36

Applicable requirements

1 Where food information referred to in Articles 9 and 10 is provided on a voluntary basis, such information shall comply with the requirements laid down in Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter IV.

2 Food information provided on a voluntary basis shall meet the following requirements:

- it shall not mislead the consumer, as referred to in Article 7;
- it shall not be ambiguous or confusing for the consumer; and
- it shall, where appropriate, be based on the relevant scientific data.

3 The Commission shall adopt implementing acts on the application of the requirements referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article to the following voluntary food information:

- information on the possible and unintentional presence in food of substances or products causing allergies or intolerances;
- information related to suitability of a food for vegetarians or vegans^[F1];
- the indication of reference intakes for specific population groups in addition to the reference intakes set out in Annex XIII^[F1]; and]

^[F2]d information on the absence or reduced presence of gluten in food.]

Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 48(2).

4 In order to ensure that consumers are appropriately informed, where voluntary food information is provided by food business operators on a divergent basis which might mislead or confuse the consumer, the Commission may, by means of delegated acts, in accordance with Article 51, provide for additional cases of provision of voluntary food information to the ones referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Substituted by [Commission Delegated Regulation \(EU\) No 1155/2013 of 21 August 2013 amending Regulation \(EU\) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the provision of](#)

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food information to consumers as regards information on the absence or reduced presence of gluten in food.

- F2** Inserted by Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1155/2013 of 21 August 2013 amending Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the provision of food information to consumers as regards information on the absence or reduced presence of gluten in food.

Article 37

Presentation

Voluntary food information shall not be displayed to the detriment of the space available for mandatory food information.

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