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The Food Information Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014

Foods that are not prepacked etc. containing meat and other ingredients

7.—(1) A food business operator who offers for sale a food to which this regulation applies must provide the particulars required by Article 9(1)(d) (quantity of certain ingredients), as read with Article 22 and Annex VIII, in respect of the ingredients in the food that are meat.

(2) This regulation applies to a food (other than a food specified in Schedule 3) that is offered for sale to a final consumer or a mass caterer, contains meat and any other ingredient and is—

- (a) not prepacked,
- (b) packed on the sales premises at the consumer's request, or
- (c) prepacked for direct sale.

(3) This regulation does not apply to a food prepared to be ready for consumption by a final consumer that is offered for sale to a final consumer by a mass caterer (whether at a mass catering establishment where sales are made in person to a final consumer or by means of distance communication) as part of their business as a mass caterer.

(4) The quantity of meat specified in the particulars mentioned in paragraph (1) is to be determined taking into account the provisions relating to total fat and connective tissue content in Annex VII, Part B, point 17, including any downward adjustment needed in a case where the total fat and connective tissue content in the food exceeds the values indicated in the table in that point.

(5) The particulars must appear—

- (a) on a label attached to the food, or
- (b) on a notice, ticket or label that is readily discernible by an intending purchaser at the place where the intending purchaser chooses that food.

(6) Paragraph (5) does not apply in the case of an offer for sale made by means of distance communication.

(7) In this regulation—

“meat” means the skeletal muscles of mammalian and bird species recognised as fit for human consumption with naturally included or adherent tissue but does not include mechanically separated meat;

“mechanically separated meat” has the meaning given in Annex I, point 1.14, to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004⁽¹⁾ of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin.