

(Unofficial)

Notification of the Ministry of Public Health

(No. 243) B.E. 2544 (2001)

Re: Some Meat Products.

It deems appropriate to amend the notification of the Ministry of Public Health, Re: Some Meat Products.

By the virtue of provisions of Section 5 and 6(7) and (10) of the Food Act B.E. 2522 (1979), in which contain provisions in relation to the restriction of Rights and Liberties of the Persons, in respect of which Section 29 and in conjunction with Section 35, Section 48 and Section 50 of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand so permit by virtue of provisions of law; the Minister of Public Health hereby issues the notification as follows:

Clause 1. The notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 110 B.E. 2531 (1988), Re: Labelling of some meat products, dated 22nd January B.E. 2531 (1988), shall be repealed.

Clause 2. Some meat products, which are not foods as prescribed in the notification of the Ministry of Public Health, Re: Foods in sealed containers, are prescribed food to have label.

Clause 3. Some meat products as prescribed in this notification such as meat balls, sausages, fermented pork, mou yor (minced pork), Chinese sausages, and products which are made by the same process and packed in containers ready for sale.

Clause 4. Labels of some meat products shall follow to the notification of the Ministry of Public Health, Re: Labels, except Clause 3 of the notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No. 194) B.E. 2543 (2000), Re: Labels, dated 19th September B.E. 2543 (2000), shall follow to Clause 5 of this notification.

Clause 5. Labels of some meat products for sale to consumers shall be expressed in Thai language texts but foreign language texts may also be presented and shall have texts to express as follows:

(1) Name of food.

(2) Food serial number.

(3) Name and address of producers or re-packers for food produced within the country; names and addresses of importers and country of producers, as the case may be.

For foods produced within the country, name and address of head office of producers or re-packers may be expressed.

(4) Net quantity shall be expressed in metric system.

(5) Declaration of "Utilize preservatives", if any.

(6) Date, month and year of manufacture; or date, month and year of expiry for consumption; or date, month, and year of which foods are in good qualities or standards and shall be incorporated with declarations of "Produce", "Expire", or "Consume before", as the case may be; and date, month, and year shall be respectively expressed. In case where month is expressed, such month may be alphabetically expressed.

Clause 6. Producers or importers of some meat products for sale shall follow to the notification of the Ministry of Public Health, Re: Production processes, production equipments, and food storage.

Clause 7. Food Labelling for some meat products, which are issued to follow the notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 68 B.E. 2525 (1982), Re: Labels, dated 29th April B.E. 2525 (1982), which is amended by the notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 95 B.E. 2528 (1985), Re: Labels (No. 2), dated 30th September B.E. 2528 (1985), prior to this notification, shall be valid for 2 years as from the come into force date of this notification.

Clause 8. Some meat products producers, that follow to the notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 110 B.E. 2531 (1988), Re: Labelling of some meat products, dated 22nd January B.E. 2531 (1988); and importers of some meat products, whose food labelling issued to follow the notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 68 B.E. 2525 (1982), Re: Labels, dated 29th April B.E. 2525 (1982), which is amended by the notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 95 B.E. 2528 (1985), Re: Labels (No. 2), dated 30th September B.E. 2528 (1985), shall apply for food serial number within one year as from the come into force date of this notification. After applying for food serial number, some meat products producers shall be abated from the stipulation in Clause 6 for a period of 2 years after this notification come into force. As a result, the remaining labels are allowed to be used until last but not exceeding to 2 years after this notification come into force.

Clause 9. This notification shall come into force as from the day following date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Notified on 26th September 2001.

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Note: This English version of the notification is translated to meet the need of the non-Thai speaking people. In case of any discrepancy between the Thai original and the English translation, the former will take priority.