



NOTIFICATION

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| 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other: |
| 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Beverages in general (ICS 67.160.01) |
| 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Labeling for Bottled drinking water and Bottled natural mineral water (5 page(s), in English; 8 page(s), in Arabic) |
| 6. Description of content: This draft technical regulation applies to Labeling for Bottled drinking water and Bottled natural mineral water prepared for drink. |
| 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer information, labelling |
| 8. Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Codex standard CAC 227/2001 - Bottled drinking waters (other than natural mineral waters).• Codex standard CAC 108/2001 - Natural mineral water. |
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Labeling for Bottled drinking water and Bottled natural mineral water

I.C.S: 67.160.01

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Foreword

GCC Standardization Organization (GSO) is a regional Organization which consists of the National Standards Bodies of GCC member States. One of GSO main functions is to issue Gulf Standards /Technical regulations through specialized technical committees (TCs).

GSO through the technical program of committee TC No (5) " Technical committee for standards of food and agriculture products " has prepared this Technical regulation. The Draft Technical regulation has been prepared by Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The draft Technical regulation has been prepared based on relevant ADMO, International and National foreign Standards and references.

This Technical regulation has been approved by GSO Board of Directors in its meeting No.(), held on () .

Labeling of bottled water

1- Scope and field of application:

This Gulf Standard is concerned with labeling of bottled drinking water and bottled natural mineral water prepared for drink,

2- Complementary references:

- 2.1 GSO 9:” Labeling of prepackaged foods stuffs”.
- 2.2 GSO 150-2: “Expiration periods of food products”.
- 2.3 GSO 987: “Bottled natural mineral water”.
- 2.4 GSO 1025: “Bottled drinking water”.
- 2.5 GSO 2333: “Requirements for nutrition and health claim in the food”.

3- Definition:

3.1 Bottled drinking water:

Treated drinking water intended for human consumption, and may contain or added to it natural minerals.

3.2 Bottled natural mineral water:

Water which is obtained directly from natural or drilled sources from underground water-bearing-strata for which all possible precautions should be taken to avoid any pollution of, or external influence on, the chemical and physical qualities of natural mineral water. It is collected under conditions which guarantee the original microbiological purity and chemical composition of essential components. Separation of suspended constituents by decantation or filtration or aeration , and not aloe to carry out any chemical treatment which change from the nature of source water, It is packaged close to the point of emergence of the source

4- Requirements labels

4.1 Bottled drinking water

Without prejudice to what mentioned in Gulf Standards stated in items 2.1, 2.4, the following labels shall be declared on the label of the container

4.1.1 Mandatory labels

- 4.1.1.1 Product name “bottled drinking water”.
- 4.1.1.2 The source of water according to what has been stated in items (3.3) of the Gulf Technical Regulations mentioned in item (2.4).
- 4.1.1.3 PH.
- 4.1.1.4 Water analytical composition.
- 4.1.1.5 Net volume in Metric system.
- 4.1.1.6 Statement (adding fluoride) if fluoride added to bottled water n case the concentration of fluoride in the final product is less than the limit stipulated in the Gulf Technical Regulations mentioned in item (2.4)..
- 4.1.1.7 Expiry date and production date in month and year.

4.1.1.8 The labeling information shall be written on the containers and shall not be written only on carton boxes or the like.

4.1.2 General requirements:

4.1.2.1 Without prejudice to the Gulf Technical Regulations mentioned in item (5.2). If the product contains sodium less than 20 ppm, only low sodium expression may be written.

4.1.2.2 Without prejudice to the Gulf Technical Regulations mentioned in item (5.2) in the case of the product contain sodium less than 5 ppm only sodium-free may be written.

4.1.2.3 written the labeling information on carton boxes.

4.1.2.4 Its prohibited to use of any statement of any pictorial device which may create confusion in the mind of the consumer about the nature, origin, composition and properties of bottled water put on sale.

4.1.2.5 Without prejudice to the Gulf Technical Regulations mentioned in item (5.2). it is prohibited to write another term (Sodium-free) for sodium-free products and prevents the writing of a non-sodium expression for low-sodium products..

4.1.2.6 It is forbidden to put a picture, drawing or heart shape for low or free sodium. Products.

4.2 Bottled natural mineral water

Without prejudice to what mentioned in Gulf Standards stated in items 2.1, 2.3, the following labels shall be declared on the label of the container

4.2.1 Mandatory labels

4.2.1.1 Product name "bottled natural mineral water"

4.2.1.2 The type of the water according to what has been stated in items (3.2) to (3.6). of the Gulf Technical Regulations mentioned in item (2.3).

4.2.1.3 Description of the water shall be add to the name of the product according to the total dissolved solids content as mentioned in Item (4.2) of the Gulf Technical Regulations mentioned in item (2.3).

4.2.1.4 Location and the name of water source if different than location. submitted.

4.2.1.° Analytical composition of the product characteristics.

4.2.2 General requirements:

4.2.2.1 It is prohibited to write down any statement concerning medical (preventive alleviate curative) in accordance with product characteristics stated in this standard.

4.2.2.2 The name of locality, village or specified location may not form a part of the trade name of the product; unless it refers to a natural mineral water collected at the place designated as per the trade name.

4.2.2.3 Any statement or any pictorial device which may lead to confusion to the consumer about the nature, origin, composition and properties of water.

4.2.2.4 Where the product contains more than 1mg/l of fluoride, the statement "the product contains fluoride" shall appear as part of, or in close proximity to the name of the product.

In addition, the statement "the product is not suitable for infants and children under age of seven years" when the product contains more than 1.5 mg/l fluoride.

References

Codex standard CAC 227/2001
Bottled drinking waters (other than
natural mineral waters)
Codex standard CAC 108/2001
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