

Food Labeling Guide

The purpose of this labeling guide is to help retail food establishment operators in developing labels, which will be in conformance with Southern Nevada Health District requirements, for the food products they package for display and off-premises consumption. This labeling requirement does not apply to customer order delivery or over the counter sales of food where a temporary bag, wrapper, or carry out box is used for short term containment or transport.

Additional information is available on the U.S. Food and Drug Administration website www.cfsan.fda.gov.

Basic Labeling Requirements

All required labeling information shall be printed prominently and conspicuously in **English**. Print size should be no smaller than 1/16 of an inch based on the lower case letter "o" and include:

1. STATEMENT OF IDENTITY

- The common, usual name or descriptive identity of the packaged food prominently displayed on the Principle Display Panel (PDP)

2. NET QUANTITY OF CONTENTS

- Net Weight in ounces, pounds, or grams, or
- Net Content in fluid ounces, pints or liters or number of pieces.

3. INGREDIENT STATEMENT

- A list of ingredients in descending order of predominance by weight, including a declaration of artificial color or flavor and chemical preservatives.

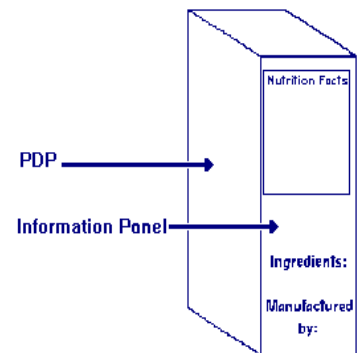
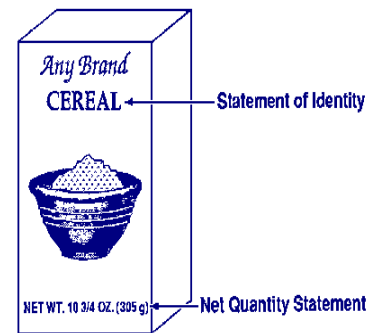
4. MANUFACTURER, PACKER OR DISTRIBUTOR

- Include name and place of business - Example:
Steve's Café
625 Glenn Lane
Las Vegas, NV 89103
(702) 555-5555

5. ADDITIONAL LABELING INFORMATION

Many types of food need additional labeling information such as:

- Nutritional labeling is required on some food such as infant formula.
- A 10 day "Use By" date on ready to eat Potentially Hazardous Food (PHF) when placed under refrigeration or a frozen PHF once pulled to thaw.
- A 14 day from the day of packaging "Discard Date" for Modified Atmospheric Packaged Food.
- Precautionary statements applicable to the food product, such as "Keep Refrigerated" or "Safe Handling Instructions" or warning statements as specified by the United States Department of Agriculture.



Questions: Contact the Southern Nevada Health District, Environmental Health Division

Illustrations were reprinted from the FDA Food Labeling Guide <http://www.cfsan.fda.gov/~dms/flg-toc.html>

These are some examples of approved labeling:

VANILLA CAKE ROLL

Ingredients: Flour, eggs, sugar, water, vegetable oil,
corn starch, whipping cream, vanilla.

Net Wt: 16oz. (1 lb.)

My Store Name 5555 S. Jones (702)222-2222
Las Vegas, NV 89000

WHOLE BLACK PEPPER

Net Wt: 8 oz.

My Store Name 5555 S. Jones (702)222-2222
Las Vegas, NV 89000

Use this example if your store can be found in the local phone directory:

BESO

(Ground Barley)

Net Wt: 2 lb.

My Store Name
Las Vegas, NV 89000

Use “Product of (Country)” only if the product was produced, grown, or imported from that country:

PRODUCT OF MEXICO
GROUND RED JALEPENO

Net Wt: 8oz.

My Store Name
Las Vegas, NV 89000