
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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FOOD

The Food Labelling Regulations 1996

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THE FOOD LABELLING REGULATIONS 1996

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List of ingredients

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2. Note
Note

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1. Prescribed nutrition labelling shall consist of such of the following...
2. In the event that there is also required to be...
3. (a) For [vitamins] and [minerals] there shall be substituted, as...
4. All amounts given— (a) are to be per hundred grams...
5. In the calculation of the energy value the following conversion...
6. Any prescribed nutrition labelling shall be presented together in one...

PART II — CONTENTS OF PRESCRIBED NUTRITION LABELLING

1. In respect of any food other than one to which...

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2. (1) In respect of any food which is not prepacked...

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