



NISS Enhancements for Transition to New Regulations

The primary objective of this NISS enhancement is to support the implementation of the recent regulatory updates for the CFIA *Food Labelling Modernization Initiative*, the *Safe Foods for Canadians Act and Regulations*, and changes to the *Beer and Vodka Standards of Identity*. This new functionality is designed to streamline communication between Suppliers/Agents and the LCBO during the transition period by asking the supplier to report in NISS, and to submit required documentation for review during the New Item Lifecycle.

Note: As of May 11, 2020 labels compliant to former regulations will receive a “WARNING”. Only labels compliant to new regulations will receive a status of “No Problems Identified”.

What's New?

1) Product Set Up in NISS – New information required

Gluten Free Claim

Does this product carry a Gluten Free Claim on the label or packaging? *
(The supplier must ensure that all claims are true, not misleading and meet all regulatory requirements. You will be asked to provide supporting documentation at a later stage, e.g. certificate of gluten testing, gluten free certification)

Yes No

- Products making a Gluten Free claim may be required to provide supporting documentation to substantiate the claim later in the onboarding process, e.g. certificate of gluten testing, gluten free certification.
- In addition to the requirements around Gluten Free products, it is very important for the supplier to answer this question accurately in order to support data collection for reporting

2) NTP/Additional Information – New information required

Flavouring Preparations

It is the manufacturer's responsibility to properly declare all flavouring preparations that are present in a pre-packaged product. Below please confirm the use of Natural and/or Artificial flavouring preparations.

Natural Flavouring Preparations (choose one): Yes No

Artificial Flavouring Preparations (choose one): Yes No

- It is acceptable to select both or neither. The declaration must be accurate.

Regulations

LABEL EXAMINATION FORM (Hide Details) ▾

This Label is submitted to (choose one): Former Regulations
 New Regulations

- The supplier or agent must have sufficient understanding of the label being submitted to confirm whether it is expected to be compliant with the former or the new regulations.
- Labels submitted must be fully compliant with the former or with the new regulations during the transition period. There cannot be a transition within a label, where parts of the new regulations are incorporated, and other parts are not.
- The supplier or agent must choose accurately, as the label will be reviewed against the vendor-selected regulatory requirements. An error in selection will result in a fail or not reviewed.

LOT Code

The Safe Foods for Canadians Regulations requires that every product must have a legible lot code. A lot code is defined as an identifier that can be used to trace a defined quantity of product that was manufactured, prepared, produced, stored, graded, packaged or labelled under the same conditions.

Lot Code Type: *

Location of the selling unit: *

Example of the Lot Code: *

Application Method: *

- The supplier or agent must identify the type, location and application method of the lot code for products submitted.

Gluten Free supporting document

**populated after NTP stage, only when the selection for Gluten Free Product is Yes

UPLOAD GLUTEN FREE SUPPORTING DOCUMENT (Hide Details) ▾

Supporting Document: ▶

(Maximum 1 file and maximum file size is 10MB). If available at this time, submit valid supporting documentation (e.g. certificate of gluten testing, gluten free certification).

- At this time, uploading gluten free supporting documentation will be optional.

3) Label Review – Results

Larger Text Fields

Additional Reviewer Comments

500 character(s) remaining, maximum 500 characters

Comments

250 character(s) remaining, maximum 250 characters

- Several key fields have been given increased character counts, (from 100 – 200 and from 250 – 500) to allow provision of a more detailed feedback about the label findings.

New - Warning Status option

250 character(s) remaining, maximum 250 characters

No problems identified
 'WARNING' Please review findings carefully
 Label is not compliant

Additional Reviewer Comments

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Effective May 11, 2020:

- Labels designed to former regulations will be reviewed against the former regulations and receive either WARNING or FAIL
- Labels designed to the new regulations will be reviewed and receive either a PASS or FAIL

Label Review Results

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- In the Label Examination Review history section, the results will be shown as *“WARNING” Please review finding carefully’*.

LCBO #: 0063636
Product Description: QA Test3
This Label was submitted to Former Regulations

- The Label Review pdf will indicate in the header that the label was submitted to either the former of the new regulations, as per the selection made above.

7.- Label Review Results

- Result: 'WARNING' Please review findings carefully
- Additional Reviewer Comments:

Should have following question with Natural/Artificial flavor options: "It is the manufacturer's

- The Label Review pdf will show the results of the review as *“WARNING” Please review findings carefully’*