

LABELING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL PROCESSORS

The following information is required on all packaged food products in Kentucky.

1. Statement of Identity.
2. Net Quantity of Contents
3. Ingredient Statement with Allergen Identification
4. Name and Address of Manufacturer or Distributor

Statement of Identity

What is your product? What is it commonly called?

Should be the most prominent printed statement on the label.

Include descriptors such as whole, sliced, shredded, etc.

Net Quantity of Contents

Shall be expressed in English and Metric units.

Shall be placed in the lower 30% of the label. Most commonly it is the last printed line on the label.

1 oz is equal to 28 g, 1 fl oz is equal to 30 ml, 1 lb is equal to 454 g. Always round down.

Ingredient Statement

Each ingredient shall be listed in the ingredient statement in decreasing order of predominance.

Ingredients that are composed of ingredients (subingredients) shall be listed as well.

Subingredients shall be listed in parenthesis following the ingredient: Ketchup (tomatoes, vinegar, high fructose corn syrup, onion powder....).

Proteins derived from MILK, EGGS, WHEAT, SOY, PEANUTS, TREE NUTS, SESAME, FISH, & SHELLFISH shall be identified by name within the ingredient statement **or** in a separate all inclusive Contains Statement.

Name and Address of the Manufacturer or Distributor

Shall include the street address, city, state, and zip code.

If the company name as it appears on the label is listed in the phone book, then the street address may be left off.

When products are not manufactured by the name appearing on the label then use a statement such as "Manufactured for _____" or "Distributed by _____" to express the relationship.

*The statement of identity and net quantity of contents statement are required to be on the principal display panel (main label, front of the package, top of the package, etc.).

*The ingredient statement and name & address of the manufacturer or distributor can be on separate labels either on the back or bottom of the package.

*All print shall be no smaller than 6 pt font. This is 6 pt font.

*A nutrition facts panel is not always required. If you use a statement that references a nutrient, like "Low Salt", "No Sugar", "Reduced Calorie", "Low Fat", "Low Cholesterol", "High Fiber" then a nutrition facts panel is automatically required.

COOKIES IN A JAR

Ingredients: Flour (enriched wheat flour, niacin, iron, thiamin mononitrate, riboflavin, folic acid), sugar, chocolate chips (sugar, chocolate liquor, cocoa butter, soy lecithin, and vanillin an artificial flavor), salt.

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Net Wt. 12 oz (336g)