



## **New notice on nutrition labelling of pre-packed food**

On 13 August 2009, the Danish Veterinary and Food Administration launched a public consultation on a draft executive order on nutrition labelling of pre-packed food (the "Executive Order").

The changes of the rules in the Executive Order are a result of the European Commission's Directive no. 2008/100/EF on changing the Council's Directive no. 90/49/EØF on nutrition labelling of food.

If the draft is to replace the current Executive Order no. 198 of 20 March 1992 on pre-packed food in its present wording, this would entail that the current rules on nutrition labelling of nutritional supplement, mineral water and drinking water would be left out.

The draft contemplates a change of the values for recommended daily food supply. The values appear in appendix 1 in the Executive Order and appendix 3 in Executive Order no. 683 of 21 July 2003 on nutrition supplement. As a consequence of this, the values set forth in appendix 3 in Executive Order no. 683 of 21 July 2003 need to be adjusted along with a number of minor changes hereto. A separate public consultation has been launched hereof.

Until 31 December 2012, companies can choose whether they want to make use of the new or old values for recommended daily food supply.

Furthermore, the draft contemplates that the present rules on supervision and control be left out. The reason for this is that Section 13 of Act no 526 of 24 June 2005 on food contains general rules on control.

The present rules on appeal, exemption etc. are also to be left out. The reason for this is that if the draft is adopted, the general provisions on appeal will follow in Executive Order no. 58 of 6 February 2008 on the Food and Veterinary Complaints Secretariat.

Finally, the new executive order on nutrition labelling of pre-packed food causes a number of linguistic changes and re-editing of specific provisions.

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