

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL PUNJAB FOOD AUTHORITY

NOTIFICATION

Subject:

MANDATORY HALAL CERTIFICATION OF FOOD PRODUCT FOR DISPLAY OF HALAL LOGO ON THE LABEL OF FOOD ITEMS (IMPORTED AND/OR LOCALLY MANUFACTURED) BEING SOLD IN THE JURISDICTION OF PUNJAB

No.DG(PFA)ADG(Technical)/2024/259, dated: 16-01-24. In pursuance of the adoption and subsequent notification of the PS:3733-2022 (R), Pakistan Standards for General Requirement for Halal Food and PS OIC/SMIC 24:2022, Pakistan Standards for General Requirements for Food Additives and other Added Chemicals to Halal Food, the food categories mentioned hereunder are required to be mandatorily certified from Halal Certification Body accredited by Pakistan National Accreditation Council, Pakistan Halal Authority and/or member of International Halal Accreditation Forum (IHAF), and/or Standard Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC), in order to display/affix "Halal" logo on the label of food products, indicating their compliance with the aforementioned "Halal" Standards:

- 1. Animal Origin Food (Meat, Poultry, Game and their products)
- 2. Food Additives derived from Animal Origin
- 3. Compound Food Products Containing any properties of meat, its products and extraction, gelatin and animal derived enzymes.
- 4. Dairy and Dairy Products (Cheese, Whey powder, Additive comprising Dairy Products)
- 5. Snacks and Ready to Eat Savories (Potato Crisps and Nimko etc.)
- 6. Confectionary and Sweets (Milk Toffee, Candy and chocolates etc.)
- 7. Beverages (Fruit Drinks, Flavored Drinks, Nectars and Syrups etc.)
- 8. Any other Product that has a word or logo "Halal" on their package/label
- 9. The shipment of imported food items shall be accompanied by "Halal" Certificate issued by a Halal Certification Body, accredited with an Accreditation Body which is a member of International Halal Accreditation Forum (IHAF) or Standard Meteorology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC).



The subject notification stands implemented with immediate effect, however, the business adjustment period of six (06) months shall be accorded to the Food Manufacturing Companies initially for the execution of abovementioned order, starting from the date of issuance of notification, which can be extended up to one (01) year subject to the agreement of Food Manufacturing Companies with the Certification Body, duly substantiated by documentation verified by the inspection report of Punjab Food Authority's Food Safety Team.

BY THE ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL PUNJAB FOOD AUTHORITY

No. & Date Even:

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