

NOTE: Key extracts from Directive 2006/125/EC of 5 December 2006 on processed cereal-based foods and baby foods for infants and young children

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#### Article 8

1. The labelling of the products concerned shall bear in addition to the particulars provided for in Article 3 of Directive 2000/13/EC, the following mandatory particulars:

- (a) a statement as to the appropriate age from which the product may be used, regard being had to its composition, texture or other particular properties. The stated age shall not be less than four months for any product. Products recommended for use from the age of four months may indicate that they are suitable from that age unless independent persons having qualifications in medicine, nutrition or pharmacy, or other professionals responsible for maternal and child care, advise otherwise;
- (b) information as to the presence or absence of gluten if the indicated age from which the product may be used is below six months;
- (c) the available energy value expressed in kJ and kcal, and the protein, carbohydrate and lipid content, expressed in numerical form, per 100 g or 100 ml of the product as sold and, where appropriate, per specified quantity of the product as proposed for consumption;
- (d) the average quantity of each mineral substance and of each vitamin governed by a specific level as specified in Annex I and Annex II respectively, expressed in numerical form, per 100 g or 100 ml of the product as sold and, where appropriate, per specified quantity of the product as proposed for consumption;
- (e) instructions for appropriate preparation, when necessary, and a statement as to the importance of following those instructions.

2. The labelling may bear:

- (a) the average quantity of the nutrients set out in Annex IV when such declaration is not covered by the provisions of paragraph 1(d), expressed in numerical form, per 100 g or 100 ml of the product as sold and, where appropriate, per specified quantity of the product as proposed for consumption;
- (b) in addition to numerical information, information on vitamins and minerals shown in Annex V, expressed as a percentage of the reference values given therein, per 100 g or 100 ml of the product as sold, and where appropriate, per specified quantity of the product as proposed for consumption, provided that the quantities present are at least equal to 15 % of the reference values.