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FDA Menu Labeling Requirements [21 CFR 101.11] For Restaurants and Similar Retail Food Establishments (SRFE)

Menu Boards and Menus

- 1. Calorie information posted for all standard menu items on menu boards, drive-thru menus, printed menus, and online menus (seasonal items shown for less than 60 days and 90 days test items are exempt*)
- 2. Font size of the calorie declaration are not smaller than the size of the name or price of the menu item
- 3. The calorie counts are displayed adjacent to the menu item (columns are acceptable)
- **4.** The colors used for calorie declaration must be in the same color or a color that is at least as conspicuous as that used for the name or price
- 5. The calories declaration area must be on the same or similar color background
- 6. Combo meals with two options are declared using a slash such as 150/250 calories
- 7. Combo meals with three or more options are listed in a calorie range such as 200-300 calories
- 8. Succinct statement is posted on the bottom of the menu "2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice, but calorie needs vary" (must appear on the bottom of each page of a multi-page menu)
- Statement of availability "Additional nutrition information available upon request" is included near succinct statement on the menu (must appear on the first page of the menu besides the succinct statement)
- **10.** Nutritional information must be available in written form on the premises of the establishment and provided to the consumer upon request (e.g., a pamphlet, using a tablet, a poster)

Self-Service or On Display

- 1. Calories displayed on a sign(s) near the food per serving or per item (e.g., 300 calories per muffin, 200 calories per scoop of potato salad, 120 calories per 12 fluid ounces [small])
- 2. The succinct statement and the statement of availability placed on a sign/menu board in close proximity

"Grab-and-Go" (e.g., yogurt parfaits or prepared sandwiches)

- 1. Calorie information posted for all "grab and go" packaged items
- 2. The succinct statement and the statement of availability placed on the label of the item, or on a sign/menu board in close proximity
- **3.** If a "grab and go" item has a Nutritional Facts Label with all required nutritional information then additional written nutritional information is not required.

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet

- 1. Menu board or menu must include a statement next to the price "See buffet for calorie declarations"
- 2. The succinct statement and the statement of availability placed on a sign/menu board in close proximity

Alcohol

- 1. Declare calories for alcoholic beverages that are standard menu items that are listed on a menu or menu board
- 2. The succinct statement and the statement of availability placed on a menu or menu board

Example of a menu

Cheese Pizza: small (12") 400 Cal, Medium (14") 650 Cal, Large (16") 900 Cal				
	Toppings	Added Cal		
		(S/M/L)		
	Pepperoni	200-400		
	Sausage	250-450		
	Green Peppers	15-25		
	Onions	20.20		

Combo Meal		
Cheeseburger Meal (550/600 Calories)	. \$5.99	
(comes with medium sized fries or medium sized onion rings)		
Large (adds 60/110 calories)	\$7.99	

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,	Ice Cream Scoop: 210 -580 Cal		
	Toppings Added Cal		
	Almonds25		
	Fudge50		
	Caramel60		
	Strawberry Syrup45		
	Fudge50		

*Foods that are Exempt

- Custom orders, which are prepared in a specific manner at the customer's request
- Daily specials, foods that are not routinely listed on the menu and are promoted as a special menu item for that day
- Temporary menu items, which appear on a menu or menu board for less than a total of 60 days per calendar year
- Customary market test items, that are offered for fewer than 90 consecutive days to test consumer acceptance
- Condiments available for general use, including those placed on the table or on or behind the counter
- Foods that are not on a menu or menu board and are not on display or self-service (these foods are not considered "standard menu items")

Example of Restaurant-Type Foods

- Meals served at sit-down or quick service restaurant
- Food purchased at a drive-through
- o Take-out and delivery foods (e.g., hot pizza at grocery and convenience stores that is ready to eat)
- o Hot soup at a soup bar, and food from a salad bar
- Foods ordered from a menu/menu board at a grocery store intended for individual consumption
- Self-service foods and foods on display that are intended for individual consumption (e.g., bagels, donuts, rolls offered for individual sale)

Examples of Foods Not Considered Restaurant-Type Foods

- Bulk foods (e.g., dried fruit, nuts)
- Foods eaten over several eating occasions or stored for later use (e.g., loaves of bread, whole cakes)
- Foods that are usually further prepared before consuming (e.g., deli meats and cheeses)
- Foods that are not self-service and not intended solely for an individual consumption (e.g., deli salads, items sold by weight)

Facility Review: Is facility compliant with FDA menu labeling regulation?

Yes

No

Facility shall contact the permit holder or corporate office and make necessary changes. Failure to do so will result in a written notice of violations and potential penalties.

Questions

For more information on menu labeling, please contact the Environmental Health Division at (916) 875-8440, email emdinfo@saccounty.net, or visit the FDA website at: http://www.fda.gov/menuandvending

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