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**NAFDAC (ANIMAL FEED PREMIX LABELLING)  
REGULATIONS, 2024**

[16th Day of October, 2024]

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In exercise of the powers conferred on the Governing Council of the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control ("the Governing Council") by section 30 of the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control Act, Cap. N1, LFN, 2004 and section 12 of the Food, Drugs and Related Products (Registration, Etc.) Act, Cap. F33, LFN, 2004 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Governing Council, with the approval of the Minister, makes the following Regulations —

PART I — OBJECTIVE AND APPLICATION

1. These Regulations provide regulatory framework for the labelling of Animal Feed Premix manufactured, exported, imported, advertised, distributed, sold or used in Nigeria.

Objective

2. These Regulations shall apply to animal feed premix manufactured, imported, exported, advertised, sold, distributed or used in Nigeria.

Application

PART II — LABELLING INFORMATION, PRODUCT IDENTITY,  
NET CONTENT AND ETC.

3.—(1) Information required to be indicated on animal feed premix label shall —

Labelling  
information

- (a) be prominent, legible and distinct;
- (b) appear in font size and style type that is adequate for clarity and on sufficient contrasting background without obscuring design, vignette or crowding within written, printed or graphic matter;
- (c) be in English Language and may include any other language;
- (d) not be false or misleading;
- (e) the most prominent letters on the label shall be the brand name, the name of the animal feed premix product and the net content;
- (f) be informative and accurate; and
- (g) appear on the panel of the label, displayed under customary condition of purchase.

(2) The animal feed premix label shall not be occupied with other information, statement or graphic not required by these Regulations in a manner as to make the label space insufficient for the display of necessary information or statement required under these Regulations.

(3) Animal feed premix label shall not be described by words, pictorials or other devices, suggestive, either directly or indirectly of any other product with which such feed premix might be confused, or in such a manner as to



mislead the purchaser or consumer to believe that the animal feed premix is connected with or derived from such other product.

(4) Animal feed premix label shall state the —

- (a) brand name;
- (b) product statement of identity;
- (c) lot or batch number;
- (d) net content;
- (e) manufacturing date
- (f) expiry date or best before date;
- (g) manufacturer's name and location address including country of origin;
- (h) NAFDAC registration number;
- (i) storage conditions; and
- (j) any other information as may be prescribed by the Agency.

(2) Claims on animal feed premix shall be substantiated through field trial.

(3) Animal Feed Premix having a shelf life not exceeding 18 months shall carry the date of minimum durability with the phrase "keep until...."

(4) The phrase "Not for human consumption" or a statement substantially similar to it shall appear in a prominent position on the label.

(5) The pictorial and the physiological status of the target animal shall be specified on the product label.

Name and  
address of  
manufacturer,  
holder of  
Certificate of  
Registration

4.—(1) The label on animal feed premix shall be conspicuous to indicate the name of animal feed premix, manufacturing location, address of the manufacturer and the name of the holder of Certificate of Registration.

(2) Where animal feed premix is manufactured under a contract manufacturing agreement, the name and address of the manufacturing location shall be indicated by a phrase that reveals the connection with the entity such as "Manufactured by...for...", "Manufactured for... by...", or any other information that expresses the facts.

(3) The site location address of the manufacturer of animal feed premix shall be written on the label of any packaging components such as primary, secondary and tertiary.

(4) The name and address of the manufacturer, packer, distributor, importer or vendor of the animal feed premix shall be declared on the product label.

(5) Where an animal feed premix undergoes processing in a country, which changes its chemical or physical nature, the country in which the processing is performed shall be considered to be the country of origin for the purposes of labeling.



5.—(1) The primary, secondary and tertiary package of an animal feed premix shall bear the name and indicate the accurate nature of the animal feed premix.

Product  
Identity

(2) Where a common name or statement of identity has been established for the animal feed premix, it shall be used in conjunction with the brand name of such animal feed premix.

(3) Where no common name or statement of identity exists for an animal feed premix, an appropriate descriptive name shall be affixed to it.

(4) Where a coined or fanciful name is used for the animal feed premix the name shall be accompanied with an appropriate descriptive term and not be misleading.

6.—(1) A complete list of ingredients used in preparing the animal feed premix product shall be declared on the label in decreasing order of prominence.

List of  
ingredients

(2) The declaration of the ingredients shall be prominent, readable and understood under normal conditions of purchase.

7.—(1) The accurate net content of an animal feed premix shall be declared on the label in the metric system.

Net content

(2) The declaration of the net content of an animal feed premix shall be required to be made in the case of —

- (a) liquid animal feed premix in volume;
- (b) solid animal feed premix by weight and number or count, where applicable; and
- (c) semi- solid or viscous animal feed premix by weight or volume.

(3) The declaration referred to in subregulation (2) of this regulation shall accurately reveal the quantity of animal feed premix in a package exclusive of bags and other material packed with it.

8.—(1) Animal feed premix label shall specify and legibly display the day, month and year of manufacture and expiration.

Date  
marking and  
Batch  
number

(2) The day and year shall be declared by un-coded number with the year to be denoted by two or four digit and the month declared in word or number.

(3) Date inscription shall be combined in accordance with subregulations (1) and (2) of this regulation and introduced with the words "Date of Manufacture" and "Date of Expiry".

(4) Where several items are included in the outer package, which during usage by the consumer may be discarded, the marking of date shall also appear on the package that is likely to be retained by the consumer until consumption.



(5) The batch number of animal feed premix shall be indicated on the inner and outer label.

(6) The batch number and date inscription shall not be pre-printed on the label.

**Storage condition**                      **9.** The required storage conditions shall be specified on the product label.

**Brand name or trademark**                      **10.—(1)** The trademark or brand name of an animal feed premix shall be indicated on the label of the animal feed premix in a manner as not to give wrong impression of the nature and quality, or substance of the animal feed premix.

(2) Where the trademark indicated on the label is in conflict with any Regulations or requirements prescribed by the Agency, the Regulations of the Agency shall prevail.

(3) The trademark or brand name of an animal feed premix shall not sound-alike or look-alike to a registered animal feed premix.

**Registration number**                      **11.** The inner and outer label of an animal feed premix shall clearly show the registration number of the product, such as “NAFDAC REG. NO.”, assigned to it as indicated on the Certificate of Registration issued by the Agency.

**Directions for use of animal feed premix**                      **12.** The direction for use of animal feed premix, including reconstitution, where applicable, shall be included on the label to ensure correct utilisation of the animal feed premix.

**Warning and caution**                      **13.** Animal Feed Premix shall be clearly labelled conspicuously with the following precautionary statements —  
(a) for animal use only; and  
(b) keep out of reach of children.

**Reference to professional body or association, etc.**                      **14.** The label of an animal feed premix shall not refer or lay claim to an endorsement directly or indirectly, to a professional body or association, except as prescribed by the Agency.

**Prohibition**                      **15.** A person shall not manufacture, import, export, distribute, advertise, display for sale, offer for sale, sell, or use Animal Feed Premix unless it is labelled in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

### **PART III — OFFENCES AND PENALTIES**

**Offences and Penalties**                      **16.—(1)** A person who contravenes any of the provisions of these Regulations commits an offence and is liable on conviction, in the case of —



(a) an individual, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or to a fine not exceeding ₦800,000 or both; and

(b) a body corporate, to a fine not exceeding ₦5,000,000.

(2) Where an offence under these Regulations is committed by a body corporate, firm or any other association of individuals, every —

(a) director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body corporate;

(b) partner or officer of the firm;

(c) trustee of the body concerned;

(d) person concerned in the management of the affairs of the association;  
or

(e) person who purports to act in a capacity referred to in paragraphs (a) to (d) of this regulation,

is liable to be proceeded against and be punished for the offence and in the same manner as if the person committed the offence, unless the person proves that the act or omission constituting the offence took place without his knowledge, consent or connivance.

17.—(1) A person convicted of an offence under these Regulations shall forfeit to the Federal Government —

Forfeiture  
after  
conviction

(a) any asset or property constituting proceeds derived from or obtained, directly or indirectly, from the offence; and

(b) any of the person's property or instruments used in any manner to commit or to facilitate the commission of the offence.

(2) In this section, "proceeds" means any property derived or obtained, directly or indirectly, through the commission of the offence.

#### PART IV — MISCELLANEOUS

18. The Agency is exclusively responsible for the enforcement of these Regulations.

Enforcement  
of these  
Regulations

19. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

Interpretation

"Address" means a place where the business of manufacture, sale, distribution, storage and display of animal feed premix is carried out which includes the house number, plot number, street name, town or city, state, country;

"Agency" means National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control;

"Animal Feed" means any single or multiple materials, whether processed, semi processed or raw, which is intended to feed directly to animals;



“*Batch number or Lot*” means the number or a combination of numbers and letters specifically given to animal feed premix product which is linked to the manufacturing history of the product;

“*Expiry date*” means any date after which a product is not recommended for use;

“*Field trial*” means a scientific evaluation conducted by an approved research institution on an Animal Feed Premix;

“*Ingredient*” means any substance used in the manufacture or preparation of an Animal Feed Premix and present in the final product although possibly in a modified form;

“*Label*” means any tag, brand, mark, pictorial or other descriptive matter, written, printed, stencilled, marked, embossed, impressed on, or attached to the packaging or the container of animal feed premix;

“*Labelling*” means all labels and other written, printed, or graphic matter (1) upon any article or any of its containers or wrappers, or (2) accompanying the animal feed premix;

“*Premix*” means a uniform mixture of one or more micro ingredients or additives with a diluents and carrier to facilitate their even distribution in a larger mix.

Citation

**20.** These Regulations may be cited as Animal Feed Premix Labelling Regulations, 2024.

MADE at Abuja this 16th day of October, 2024.

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and Social Welfare*