

# Modification to buffer zone between the front-of-package nutrition symbol and the supplemented food caution identifier, and between nutrition symbols

## Modification to the [Directory of Supplemented Food Caution Identifier Specifications](#)

**Table 1: Unilingual standard format**

Item	Column 1 Range of principal display surface	Column 2 Supplemented food caution identifier in Schedule K.2 of the <i>Food and Drug Regulations</i>	Column 3 Supplemented food caution identifier dimensions  (width x height)	Column 4 Minimum buffer surrounding the supplemented food caution identifier <a href="#">Footnote a</a>	Column 5 Height of upper case letters or tallest ascender of lower case letters  (except for the words Health Canada / Santé Canada)	Column 6 Height of upper case letters or tallest ascender of lower case letters for the words Health Canada / Santé Canada	Column 7 "x" height of letters  (except for the words Health Canada / Santé Canada)	Column 8 "x" height of letters for the words Health Canada / Santé Canada	Column 9 Height of the black bar	Column 10 Height of the exclamation mark
1	> 600 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(ES) and 1(FS)	4.42 cm x 1.61 cm	3.0 mm	4.2 mm	3.8 mm	3.0 mm	2.6 mm	7.6 mm	12.7 mm

ES: English standard  
FS: French standard

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2	> 450 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 600 cm <sup>2</sup>	2(ES) and 2(FS)	3.79 cm x 1.38 cm	2.7 mm	3.7 mm	3.1 mm	2.7 mm	2.3 mm	6.5 mm	10.9 mm
3	> 250 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 450 cm <sup>2</sup>	3(ES) and 3(FS)	3.10 cm x 1.13 cm	2.2 mm	3.0 mm	2.5 mm	2.2 mm	1.8 mm	5.4 mm	8.9 mm
4	> 100 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 250 cm <sup>2</sup>	4(ES) and 4(FS)	2.50 cm x 0.92 cm	1.7 mm	2.4 mm	2.0 mm	1.7 mm	1.4 mm	4.3 mm	7.2 mm
5	> 30 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 100 cm <sup>2</sup>	5(ES) and 5(FS)	1.87 cm x 0.69 cm	1.3 mm	1.8 mm	1.6 mm	1.3 mm	1.1 mm	3.2 mm	5.4 mm
6	≤ 30 cm <sup>2</sup>	6(ES) and 6(FS)	1.65 cm x 0.65 cm	1.1 mm	1.6 mm	1.6 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	3.0 mm	5.1 mm

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1	> 600 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BS)	6.29 cm x 1.28 cm	2.5 mm	3.4 mm	3.2 mm	2.5 mm	2.3 mm	6.1 mm	10.1 mm
2	> 450 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 600 cm <sup>2</sup>	2(BS)	5.40 cm x 1.10 cm	2.1 mm	2.9 mm	2.7 mm	2.1 mm	1.9 mm	5.2 mm	8.7 mm
3	> 250 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 450 cm <sup>2</sup>	3(BS)	4.50 cm x 0.93 cm	1.7 mm	2.4 mm	2.2 mm	1.7 mm	1.5 mm	4.4 mm	7.2 mm

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4	> 100 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 250 cm <sup>2</sup>	4(BS)	3.60 cm x 0.76 cm	1.4 mm	1.9 mm	1.9 mm	1.4 mm	1.3 mm	3.5 mm	5.9 mm
5	≤ 100 cm <sup>2</sup>	5(BS)	2.97 cm x 0.63 cm	1.1 mm	1.6 mm	1.6 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.9 mm	4.9 mm

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**Table 3: Bilingual compact format**

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3	> 250 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 450 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BC)	2.17 cm x 1.40 cm	1.5 mm	2.0 mm	1.9 mm	1.5 mm	1.4 mm	6.9 mm	6.9 mm
4	> 100 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 250 cm <sup>2</sup>	2(BC)	1.75 cm x 1.14 cm	1.2 mm	1.6 mm	1.6 mm	1.2 mm	1.1 mm	5.6 mm	5.6 mm
5	≤ 100 cm <sup>2</sup>	3(BC)	1.66 cm x 1.09 cm	1.1 mm	1.6 mm	1.6 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	5.3 mm	5.3 mm

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## Modification to the [Directory of Nutrition Symbol Specifications](#)

**Table 1: Unilingual horizontal format**

Item	Column 1 Range of principal display surface	Column 2 Nutrition symbol in Schedule K.1 of the <i>Food and Drug Regulations</i>	Column 3 Nutrition symbol dimensions  (width x height)	Column 4 Minimum buffer surrounding the nutrition symbol <a href="#">Footnote a</a>	Column 5 Height of upper case letters or tallest ascender of lower case letters  (except for the words Health Canada / Santé Canada)	Column 6 Height of upper case letters or tallest ascender of lower case letters for the words Health Canada / Santé Canada	Column 7 "x" height of letters  (except for the words Health Canada / Santé Canada)	Column 8 "x" height of letters for the words Health Canada / Santé Canada	Column 9 Height of the black / white bars	Column 10 Diameter of the lens of the magnifying glass
1	> 600 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EH) and 1(FH) 2(EH) and 2(FH) 3(EH) and 3(FH) 4(EH) and 4(FH) 5(EH) and 5(FH) 6(EH) and 6(FH)	4.42 cm x 3.30 cm	2.7 mm	3.5 mm	3.0 mm	2.7 mm	2.3 mm	6.2 mm	17.3 mm

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		7(EH) and 7(FH)								
2	> 450 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 600 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EH) and 1(FH) 2(EH) and 2(FH) 3(EH) and 3(FH) 4(EH) and 4(FH) 5(EH) and 5(FH) 6(EH) and 6(FH) 7(EH) and 7(FH)	3.79 cm x 2.83 cm	2.3 mm	3.0 mm	2.5 mm	2.3 mm	1.9 mm	5.3 mm	14.8 mm
3	> 250 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 450 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EH) and 1(FH) 2(EH) and 2(FH) 3(EH) and 3(FH) 4(EH) and 4(FH) 5(EH) and 5(FH) 6(EH) and 6(FH) 7(EH) and 7(FH)	3.10 cm x 2.36 cm	1.9 mm	2.5 mm	2.0 mm	1.9 mm	1.5 mm	4.3 mm	12.1 mm

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4	> 100 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 250 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EH) and 1(FH) 2(EH) and 2(FH) 3(EH) and 3(FH) 4(EH) and 4(FH) 5(EH) and 5(FH) 6(EH) and 6(FH) 7(EH) and 7(FH)	2.50 cm x 1.89 cm	1.5 mm	2.0 mm	1.8 mm	1.5 mm	1.3 mm	3.5 mm	9.8 mm
5	> 30 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 100 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EH) and 1(FH) 2(EH) and 2(FH) 3(EH) and 3(FH) 4(EH) and 4(FH) 5(EH) and 5(FH) 6(EH) and 6(FH) 7(EH) and 7(FH)	1.87 cm x 1.42 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.6 mm	7.3 mm

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6	≤ 30 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EH) and 1(FH)	1.87 cm x 1.42 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.6 mm	7.3 mm
		8(EH) and 8(FH) 9(EH) and 9(FH) 10(EH) and 10(FH)	1.37 cm x 1.20 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.6 mm	2.9 mm
		11(EH) and 11(FH) 12(EH) and 12(FH) 13(EH) and 13(FH)	1.37 cm x 0.85 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.6 mm	2.9 mm

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3	> 250 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 450 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EV) and 1(FV) 2(EV) and 2(FV) 3(EV) and 3(FV) 4(EV) and 4(FV) 5(EV) and 5(FV) 6(EV) and 6(FV) 7(EV) and 7(FV)	2.17 cm x 2.75 cm	1.9 mm	2.5 mm	2.0 mm	1.9 mm	1.5 mm	4.4 mm	6.2 mm

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4	> 100 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 250 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EV) and 1(FV) 2(EV) and 2(FV) 3(EV) and 3(FV) 4(EV) and 4(FV) 5(EV) and 5(FV) 6(EV) and 6(FV) 7(EV) and 7(FV)	1.75 cm x 2.19 cm	1.5 mm	2.0 mm	1.8 mm	1.5 mm	1.3 mm	3.5 mm	5.0 mm
5	> 30 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 100 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EV) and 1(FV) 2(EV) and 2(FV) 3(EV) and 3(FV) 4(EV) and 4(FV) 5(EV) and 5(FV) 6(EV) and 6(FV) 7(EV) and 7(FV)	1.37 cm x 1.80 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.9 mm	3.9 mm

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6	≤ 30 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(EV) and 1(FV)	1.37 cm x 1.80 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.9 mm	3.9 mm
		8(EV) and 8(FV) 9(EV) and 9(FV) 10(EV) and 10(FV)	1.37 cm x 1.40 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.9 mm	3.3 mm
		11(EV) and 11(FV) 12(EV) and 12(FV) 13(EV) and 13(FV)	1.37 cm x 0.85 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.9 mm	2.9 mm

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1	> 600 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BH) 2(BH) 3(BH) 4(BH) 5(BH) 6(BH) 7(BH)	6.29 cm x 3.30 cm	2.7 mm	3.5 mm	3.0 mm	2.7 mm	2.3 mm	6.2 mm	17.3 mm
2	> 450 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 600 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BH) 2(BH) 3(BH) 4(BH) 5(BH)	5.40 cm x 2.83 cm	2.3 mm	3.0 mm	2.5 mm	2.3 mm	1.9 mm	5.3 mm	14.8 mm

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		6(BH) 7(BH)								
3	> 250 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 450 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BH) 2(BH) 3(BH) 4(BH) 5(BH) 6(BH) 7(BH)	4.50 cm x 2.36 cm	1.9 mm	2.5 mm	2.0 mm	1.9 mm	1.5 mm	4.3 mm	12.4 mm
4	> 100 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 250 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BH) 2(BH) 3(BH) 4(BH) 5(BH) 6(BH) 7(BH)	3.60 cm x 1.89 cm	1.5 mm	2.0 mm	1.8 mm	1.5 mm	1.3 mm	3.5 mm	9.9 mm
5	> 30 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 100 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BH) 2(BH) 3(BH) 4(BH) 5(BH) 6(BH) 7(BH)	2.80 cm x 1.42 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.6 mm	7.4 mm

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6	≤ 30 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BH)	2.80 cm x 1.42 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.6 mm	7.4 mm
		8(BH) 9(BH) 10(BH)	2.50 cm x 1.20 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.6 mm	4.2 mm
		11(BH) 12(BH) 13(BH)	2.50 cm x 0.85 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	2.6 mm	3.9 mm

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3	> 250 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 450 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BV) 2(BV) 3(BV) 4(BV) 5(BV) 6(BV) 7(BV)	2.17 cm x 4.10 cm	1.9 mm	2.5 mm	2.0 mm	1.9 mm	1.5 mm	7.8 mm	6.2 mm
4	> 100 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 250 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BV) 2(BV) 3(BV) 4(BV) 5(BV) 6(BV) 7(BV)	1.75 cm x 3.31 cm	1.5 mm	2.0 mm	1.8 mm	1.5 mm	1.3 mm	6.3 mm	5.0 mm
5	> 30 cm <sup>2</sup> to ≤ 100 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BV) 2(BV) 3(BV) 4(BV) 5(BV)	1.37 cm x 2.60 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	4.9 mm	3.9 mm



		6(BV) 7(BV)								
6	≤ 30 cm <sup>2</sup>	1(BV)	1.37 cm x 2.60 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	4.9 mm	3.9 mm
		8(BV) 9(BV) 10(BV)	1.37 cm x 2.05 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	4.9 mm	3.3 mm
		11(BV) 12(BV) 13(BV)	1.37 cm x 1.50 cm	1.1 mm	1.5 mm	1.5 mm	1.1 mm	1.1 mm	4.9 mm	3.3 mm