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**ANIMAL FEED PREMIX LABELLING REGULATIONS
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**NATIONAL AGENCY FOR FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AND CONTROL (CAP
N1 LFN 2004)**

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Commencement []

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Governing Council of the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC) by Sections 5 and 30 of the NAFDAC Act Cap N1 LFN 2004 and Section 12 of the Food, Drugs and Related Products (Registration, Etc.) Act Cap F33 LFN 2004 and of all the powers enabling it in that behalf, **THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL AGENCY FOR FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AND CONTROL** with the approval of the Minister of Health hereby makes the following Regulations: -

1. Application

These Regulations apply to Animal Feed Premix imported, exported, manufactured, distributed, advertised, sold or used in Nigeria.

2. Prohibition

A person shall not manufacture, import, export, distribute, advertise, display for sale, offer for sale, sell, or use Animal Feed Premix except it is labeled in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations

3. Labelling information

- (1) Information required to be indicated on the label shall be prominent, legible and distinct.
- (2) The statements shall appear in font size and style type which is adequate for clarity and on sufficient contrasting background without obscuring design, vignette or crowding within written, printed or graphic matter.
- (3) The most prominent letters on the label shall be the brand name, the name of the animal feed premix product and the net content.
- (4) The information shall be in English Language and may include any other language.
- (5) Labelling shall be informative and accurate deceptive or likely to create an erroneous impression regarding its character, quality, quantity and origin..
- (6) Labelling shall not be false or misleading.
- (7) The information and statement required by these Regulations shall appear on the part or panel of the label which is presented or displayed under customary condition of purchase.
- (8) The label space shall not be used to present information, statement or graphics not required by these Regulations in such a manner that may make the label space insufficient for the prominent placing of such information or statements required under these Regulations.
- (9) Labels shall not be described by words, pictorials or other devices which refer to or are suggestive,

either directly or indirectly of any other product with which such feed premix might be confused, or in such a manner as to lead the purchaser or consumer to suppose that the feed premix is connected with or derived from such other product.

(10) Animal Feed Premix label shall state the following:

- (a) Brand name, (where applicable);
- (b) Product's name and statement of identity;
- (c) Lot or batch number;
- (d) Net content;
- (e) Expiry date;
- (f) Manufacturer's name and location address including country of origin;
- (g) Registration number assigned to it in a manner as prescribed by the Agency;
- (h) Storage conditions and
- (i) Any other information as may be prescribed by the Agency.

(11) Label on Animal Feed Premix shall not bear words, pictorial or other means, which refer to any other product or falsely suggest either directly or indirectly, that the animal feed premix is connected with other product.

(12) All information and statements as required by these Regulations shall appear on the part or panel of the label, which is presented or displayed under customary conditions of purchase.

(13) Claims on the Animal Feed Premix shall be substantiated through field trial.

(14) Animal Feed Premix having a shelf life not exceeding 18 months shall carry the date of minimum durability using word such as "will keep it at least until..."

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

(16) The pictorial and the age of the target animals shall be specified on the product label.

4. Name and address of manufacturer

(1) The name and address of the manufacturer, packer, distributor, importer or vendor of the Animal Feed Premix shall be declared on the product label.

(2) The label of an Animal Feed Premix having shall be conspicuous, indicating the name, manufacturing address of the manufacturer, and the name of the Holder of Certificate of Registration.

(3) Where an Animal Feed Premix having is manufactured under contract manufacturing arrangement, the name and manufacturing location address shall be indicated by a phrase that reveals the connection with the entity e.g. "Manufactured by.....for.....", "Manufactured for.....by.....", or any other wording that expresses the facts.

(4) The name of the person represented as manufacturer under regulations 4(2) – 4(3) to this regulation may be the same as either the name of establishment under which the entity is registered at the time the labelled product is manufactured OR the registered name of the parent, subsidiary or affiliated company where the related companies are under common ownership and control. The Corporate name may be followed or preceded by the name of the particular division.

(5) The manufacturing address of the manufacturer of a Animal Feed Premix having shall be complete on labels of all packaging components (i.e. Primary, Secondary and Tertiary).

- (6) Where an Animal Feed Premix undergoes processing in second 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. Product Identity

- (1) The outer and inner labels of an Animal Feed Premix shall bear the name of the Animal Feed Premix which shall indicate the accurate nature of the Animal Feed Premix.
- (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 the Animal Feed Premix.
- (3) Where no common name or statement of identity exists for a Animal Feed Premix, an appropriate descriptive name shall be affixed thereto.
- (4) Where a coined or fanciful name is used for the Animal Feed Premix, the name shall not be misleading and shall be accompanied by an appropriate descriptive term.

6. List of ingredients

- (1) A complete list of ingredients used in preparing the Animal Feed Premix product shall be declared on the label where appropriate in decreasing order of prominence.
- (2) The declaration of the ingredients shall be prominent, readable and understood under normal conditions of purchase.

7. Net content

- (1) The accurate average net content of every Animal Feed Premix shall be declared on the label in the metric system.
- (2) The declaration of the average net content of the 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 regulations 6 (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. Batch number

- (1) The batch number shall be indicated on the label of all Animal Feed Premix.
- (2) The batch number shall not be pre- printed on the label.

9. Date marking instructions

- (1) The batch number shall be indicated on the label of an all Animal Feed Premix.
- (2) The batch number shall not be pre- printed on the label.

10. Storage condition

The required storage conditions shall be specified on the product labels.

11. Brand name or Trademark

- (1) The brand name or Trademark shall be displayed on the label and shall not give wrong impression of the nature, quality or substance of an Animal Feed Premix..
- (2) Where brand name or Trademark registration is in conflict with any regulations or requirements of the Agency, the latter shall supersede and prevail.

12. Registration number

Animal Feed Premix shall bear on the label the NAFDAC Registration Number (NAFDAC Reg. No.) issued on the Certificate of Registration in the following format: NAFDAC REG. NO.

13. Directions for use

Directions for use, including reconstitution, where applicable, shall be included on the label to ensure correct utilization of the Animal Feed Premix.

14. Warning and Caution

Animal Feed Premix shall be clearly labelled conspicuously with the following precautionary statements;

- (a) for animal use only;
- (b) keep out of reach of children.

15. Reference to National or International bodies

The label of an Animal Feed Premix shall not make reference, directly or indirectly, to a national or international body, except as prescribed by the Agency.

16. Penalty

- (1) Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of these Regulations commits an offence and 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 N800,000:00 or both,
 - (b) a body corporate, to a fine not exceeding N5,000, 000:00.
- (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 was purporting to act in a capacity referred to in paragraphs (a) to (d) of this regulation, commits an offence and liable to be proceeded against and punished in the same manner as if he had himself committed the offence, unless he proves that the act or omission constituting the offence took place without his knowledge, consent or connivance.

17. Forfeiture after conviction

- (1) A person convicted of an offence under these Regulations shall forfeit to the Federal Government-
 - (a) any asset or property constituting proceeds derived from or obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of 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.

18. Enforcement of the Regulations

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

19. Interpretation

In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires –

Address means the place where the business of manufacture or sale or distribution or storage or display of Animal feed premix product is carried out which includes the house number, plot number, street number, Town, City, State or 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;

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 additive;

Labelling means any written, printed or graphic matter that is present on the label, accompanying the animal feed premix, or is displayed near the animal feed premix, including that for the purpose of promoting its sale or disposal.

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

“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.

“Package” means any suitable container in which a fertilizer is wholly or partly placed or packed.

“Trademark” means a mark used or proposed to be used in relation to goods for the purpose of indicating, or so as to indicate a connection in the course of trade between the goods and some person having the right either as proprietor or as registered user to use the mark, whether with or without any indication of the identity of that person or mark registered under section 43 of the Trademark Act Cap T13 LFN 2004.

20. Citation

These Regulations shall be cited as Animal Feed Premix Labelling Regulations, 2023.

MADE at Abuja thisday of2023.

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**Chairman of the Governing Council
National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC)**