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Information Letter 1223

Subject: Publication of the Labelling Manual 2025 by the IFRA-IOFI GHS TF

Dear Colleagues,

We would like to inform you that the IFRA-IOFI GHS TF has now finished its work of preparing the 2025 Labelling Manual (LM), which is distributed with this Information Letter.

The LM contains all classifications that have been ratified by the GHS TF¹ since its creation in autumn 2008. The Manual assigns hazard classifications following the rules of the UN GHS guidance document (Purple book) and focuses on fragrance and flavouring ingredients used by our Industry.

The IFRA-IOFI Labelling Manual is a single document consisting of an Explanatory Document, the Labelling Manual 2025, embedded as an Excel icon (before the Appendixes) and an Annex I with the "Terms and Conditions of Use of the IFRA-IOFI Labelling Manual", also embedded as an icon.

The Explanatory Document contains a disclaimer and gives some general considerations and specific details on how the 2025 LM has been generated.

We would like to highlight the following:

1. Important change regarding Att. II and Att. III on Natural Complex Substances

The IFRA-IOFI GHS Task Force would like to inform users that during the preparation of the 2025 edition of the IFRA-IOFI LM several system bugs affecting the content of Attachments II and III for Natural Complex Substances (NCS) were identified. Due to these technical issues, and in order to avoid introducing inconsistencies into the 2025 edition, it was agreed to maintain Attachments II and III unchanged compared to the 2024 edition (= "freeze").

Consequently, users may notice occasional discrepancies in the classification of certain NCS components between Attachments I and III. This reflects the fact that Attachment I incorporates updates made over the past year, while Attachment III remains unchanged due to the system bugs identified.

The GHS TF considers this to be the most pragmatic approach for the time being and will continue to explore how to resolve the technical issues for the future.

¹ The CMR endpoints are ratified by the IFRA CMR and ED Task Force





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2. New information in the Explanatory Document

In order to better understand the changes introduced by the LM 2025 the IFRA-IOFI GHS TF has added the following information to the Explanatory Document:

- Update on CMR substances
- 'High impact' changes list
- Deleted entries
- Added entries
- Re-wording of column header F to "Additional Identifier"

The Terms and Conditions are particularly relevant when sharing and using the LM outside your company/organization, e.g., when you share it with service providers for the implementation of the data in your respective software applications.

In line with established practice, once the Manual is published, members are encouraged to implement the new or revised classifications within six months. Please note, however, that the Labelling Manual is neither a legal document nor mandatory for IFRA members, therefore the six-month implementation period is a recommendation

Finally, it should be highlighted that the LM classifications do not reflect deviations resulting from regional or national implementations. Nevertheless, the IFRA-IOFI GHS TF may provide help, upon request and if found appropriate, in the case that regional or national implementations of the GHS deviate from the LM.

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Best regards,

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Att 01: IFRA-IOFI Labelling Manual document 2025