

Technical Alert

China FDA publishes new health food related regulations for comment

Dear member,

The China Food and Drug Administration have published three health food related regulations for comment, due by August 28, 2015. The US-China HPA provides links to the translated version of the following documents below.

1. The management regulations for registration and notification of health foods
[2015-07-28 Administrative Measures for Registration and Filing of Health Foods \(Draft\)](#)
2. The regulation for the management of the list of health claims and the list of ingredients for health foods.
[2015-07-28 Administrative Measures on Health Food Function Claim Directory and Raw Material Inventory \(Draft\)](#)
Note: The combination of materials from vitamins/minerals is allowed. Materials from other categories will not be allowed to be combined with others.
3. The management regulations for the labelling of health foods
[2015-07-28 Administrative Measures on Health Food Labelling \(Draft\)](#)

Background

24 April 2015 [China's legislature passes tougher Food Safety Law amendment](#)

China's National People's Congress passed the Food Safety Law, which has implications across the entire food sector including dietary supplements. The new regulations will come into effect **1 October 2015**.

What has been released to date by the government in terms of the dietary supplement segment of the industry is not very detailed, China's FDA and the National Health and Family Planning Commission (NHFPC) will be releasing implementation regulations leading up to 1 October, which will hopefully clarify exactly how the new legislation functions.

As of 1 October, companies will be able to import supplements on a notification basis. However, to qualify, supplements can only contain ingredients that are on a list yet to be created/approved by FDA and NHFPC. Previous draft regulations and USCHPA meetings with FDA have revealed that this list will be made up of vitamins and minerals.

To see a translation of what has been released, visit the US-China Health Products Association's website [here](#). For any questions related to the above material, please contact Emma Burchell at: Emma.Burchell@cmaustralia.org.au or phone +61 (0)2 6260 4022.

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