

ACRONYMS USED IN FOOD LABELING

A Quick Reference

Laws, Regulations & Guidance

- CFR – Code of Federal Regulations
- CN – Child Nutrition (labeling)
- DSHEA – Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994
- FALCPA – Food Allergen Labeling and Consumer Protection Act of 2004
- FDAMA – FDA Modernization Act of 1997
- FDCA – Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act of 1938
- FPLA – Fair Packaging and Labeling Act of 1966
- GMPs – Good Manufacturing Practices
- GRAS – General Recognized as Safe
- HACCP – Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point
- NLEA – Nutrition Labeling and Education Act of 1990

Government Agencies & Programs

- AMS – Agriculture Marketing Service (within USDA)
- ARS – Agriculture Research Service (within USDA)
- CBP – Customs & Border Protection (within Department of Homeland Security)
- CNPP – Center for Nutrition and Public Policy (within USDA)
- COOL – Country of Origin Labeling (administered by AMS)
- EPA – Environmental Protection Agency
- FDA – Food & Drug Administration
- FGIS – Federal Grain Inspection Service (within USDA)
- FNS – Food & Nutrition Service (within USDA)
- FSIS – Food Safety & Inspection Service (within USDA)
- FTC – Federal Trade Commission
- NOP – National Organic Program (administered by AMS)
- NSLP – National School Lunch Program (administered by FNS)
- SBP – School Breakfast Program (administered by FNS)
- TTB – Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (within Department of Treasury)
- USDA – U.S. Department of Agriculture

Health Organizations

- ACS – American Cancer Society
- ADA – American Diabetes Association
- AHA – American Heart Association
- AND – Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics (previously ADA, American Dietetic Association)
- NAM – National Academy of Medicine (previously IOM, Institute of Medicine)

Nutrition Facts

- DV – Daily Value
- LS – Labeled Serving
- NASS – “Not a significant source ...” footnote
- NFL – Nutrition Facts Label (previously NFP, Nutrition Facts Panel)
- RACC – Reference Amount Customarily Consumed

Food Label Components

- FOP – Front-of-Pack
- IP – Information Panel
- NCC – Nutrient Content Claim
- PDP – Principle Display Panel
- QHC – Qualified Health Claim
- SOI – Standard of Identity
- SSA – Significant Scientific Agreement (as a basis for some Health Claims)