

JOINT ORDER NO. 2:3 6 9 –MINHEALTH/MINITD/MINTRADE OF 24 August 2011

MAKING APPLICATION OF THE STANDARD ON WHEAT FLOUR FORTIFIED WITH IRON, FOLIC ACID, VITAMIN AND ZINC B12 MANDATORY

The Ministry of Public Health;

The Ministry of Industry, Mines and Technological Development;

The Ministry of Trade;

Having regard to the Constitution

Having regard to Law no. 64/LF/23 of 13 November 1964 on the protection of health;

Having regard to Law no. 96/03 of 4 January 1996 on the framework law in the field of Health.

Having regard to Law no. 96/11 of 5 August 1996 on Stanardisation;

Having regard to Law no. 2011/012 of 6 May 2011 on consumer protection in Cameroon;

Having regard to Decree No. 2002/209 of 19 August 2002 on the structure of the Ministry of Public Health;

Having regard to Decree No. 2004/320 of 8 December 2004 on the structure of the Government, as amended by Decree No. 2007/268 of 7 September 2007;

Having regard to Decree no. 2004/322 of 8 December 2004 on the formation of the Government, as amended by Decree No. 2007/269 of 7 September 2007;

Having regard to Decree no. 2005/089 of 29 March 2005 on the structure of the Ministry of Trade;

Having regard to Decree no. 2005/260 of 15 July 2005 on structure of the Ministry of Industry, Mines and Technological Development;

Having regard to Decree no. 2009/223 of 30 June 2009 on reorganisation of the Government;

Having regard to Decree no. 2009/296 of 17 September 2009 on the establishment, structure and operation of the Agency for Standards and Quality (ANOR);

Having regard to Decision No. 00270/MINIMIDT/DNQ of 2 April 2008 on the establishment, structure and functioning of the Technical Committee TC 03;

Having regard to Decision No 0982/MOH/SG/DAJC/DPS/SDAN of 3 December 2008 on the establishment, structure and functioning of the National Technical Steering and Coordination Committee for Food Fortification;

In view of the report issued by the Technical Committee TC 03 on the development of standards for named vegetable oils fortified with vitamin A and wheat flour fortified with iron, zinc, folic acid and vitamin B12.

ORDER

Article 1.

From the date of signing this Order, standard NC 01:2000-03, Ver. 1 (2011) on wheat flour fortified with iron, folic acid, zinc and vitamin B12 will be mandatory.

Article 2.-

- (1) The product referred to in Article 1 above and intended for human consumption is subject to a certification procedure prior to its consumption.
- (2) The certification referred to in paragraph (1) above results in the issuance of a certificate of conformity.
- (3) The certificate of conformity is issued by the Agency for Standards and Quality (ANOR).

Article 3.-

- (1) Importers and local producers are required to have a certificate of conformity before any distribution and release for consumption of their product in the national territory.
- (2) The certificate of conformity is presented at the request of the competent public services, particularly during customs import operations.

Article 4.-

Without prejudice to the specifications in the standard on labelling of pre-packaged foods and laws and regulations on the matter, the affixing of the fortification logo on the product label subject to the standard referred to in Article 1 of this Order is mandatory.

Article 5. –

The importers and local producers concerned shall have a period of four (4) months from the date of signing of this Order, to sell their stocks of flour.

Article 6.-

The relevant departments of the Ministry responsible for public health, the Ministry responsible for standardisation and the Ministry for Trade are each individually responsible with regard to the implementation of this Order, which will be announced and published in every place so required. /-

Yaoundé, on **24 August 2011**

**The Ministry of Public
Health**

**The Ministry of Industry, Mines
and Technological Development;**

The Ministry of Trade;