

# **NISS Enhancements for Transition to New Regulations**

The primary objective of this NISS enhancement is to support the implementation of the recent regulatory updates for the CFIA Food Labelling Modernization Initiative, the Safe Foods for Canadians Act and Regulations, and changes to the Beer and Vodka Standards of Identity. This new functionality is designed to streamline communication between Suppliers/Agents and the LCBO during the transition period by asking the supplier to report in NISS, and to submit required documentation for review during the New Item Lifecycle.

Note: As of May 11, 2020 labels compliant to former regulations will receive a "WARNING". Only labels compliant to new regulations will receive a status of "No Problems Identified".

#### What's New?

# 1) Product Set Up in NISS – New information required

#### Gluten Free Claim

Does this product carry a Gluten Free Claim on the label or packaging? \*
(The supplier must ensure that all claims are true, not misleading and meet all regulatory requirements. You will be asked to provide supporting documentation at a later stage, e.g. certificate of gluten testing, gluten free certification)

Yes No

- Products making a Gluten Free claim may be required to provide supporting documentation to substantiate the claim later in the onboarding process, e.g. certificate of gluten testing, gluten free certification.
- In addition to the requirements around Gluten Free products, it is very important for the supplier to answer this question accurately in order to support data collection for reporting

# 2) NTP/Additional Information – New information required

### Flavouring Preparations



• It is acceptable to select both or neither. The declaration must be accurate.

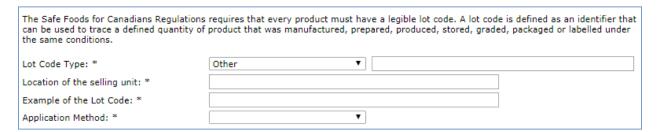


### Regulations



- The supplier or agent must have sufficient understanding of the label being submitted to confirm whether it is expected to be compliant with the former or the new regulations.
- Labels submitted must be fully compliant with the former or with the new regulations during the transition period. There cannot be a transition within a label, where parts of the new regulations are incorporated, and other parts are not.
- The supplier or agent must choose accurately, as the label will be reviewed against the vendorselected regulatory requirements. An error in selection will result in a fail or not reviewed.

#### LOT Code



• The supplier or agent must identify the type, location and application method of the lot code for products submitted.

### Gluten Free supporting document

\*\*populated after NTP stage, only when the selection for Gluten Free Product is <a> Yes</a>



• At this time, uploading gluten free supporting documentation will be optional.



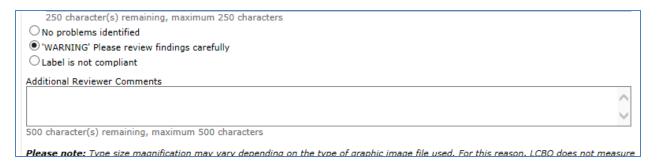
### 3) Label Review - Results

### **Larger Text Fields**



Several key fields have been given increased character counts, (from 100 – 200 and from 250 – 500) to allow provision of a more detailed feedback about the label findings.

# **New - Warning Status option**



## Effective May 11, 2020:

- Labels designed to former regulations will be reviewed against the former regulations and receive either WARNING or FAIL
- Labels designed to the new regulations will be reviewed and receive either a PASS or FAIL

# **Label Review Results**





• In the Label Examination Review history section, the results will be shown as "WARNING" Please review finding carefully.

LCBO #: 0063636

Product Description: QA Test3

This Label was submitted to Former Regulations

• The Label Review pdf will indicate in the header that the label was submitted to either the former of the new regulations, as per the selection made above.

### 7.- Label Review Results

- Result: 'WARNING' Please review findings carefully
- Additional Reviewer Comments:

Should have following question with Natural/Artificial flavor ontions: "It is the manufacturer's

 The Label Review pdf will show the results of the review as "WARNING" Please review findings carefully