# GOVERNMENT NOTICE

### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

No. R. 697

4 September 2014

FOODSTUFFS, COSMETICS AND DISINFECTANTS ACT, 1972 (ACT NO. 54 OF 1972)

# AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS RELATING TO HEALTH MESSAGES ON CONTAINER LABELS OF ALCOHOL BEVERAGES

The Minister of Health intends to, in terms of Section 15 of the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act No. 54 of 1972), as amended, to make Regulations as set out in the schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations on the proposed Regulations to the Director-General of the Department of Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001 (for the attention of the Director: Mental Health and Substance Abuse), within 3 months of date of publication of this notice.

#### **SCHEDULE**

#### 1. Definitions

In these Schedule, 'the Regulations' means the Regulations Relating to Health Messages on Container Labels of Alcohol Beverages published in the Government Notice No. R 764 on 24 August 2007 and amended by Government Notice No. R 1208 published on 14 November 2008.

'container' means any package, box, packet, but is not limited to these, in which alcohol beverages are transported, delivered, sold or offered for sale.

## 2. Amendment of Regulation 2

- (a) Regulation 2 is hereby amended by the deletion of the word "label" after the word "container" in Sub-Regulation (2) (ii).
- (b) Regulation 2 is amended by the insertion of Sub-Regulation (iv) after Sub-Regulation (iii):
  - "(iv) be exhibited with equal regularity to each other within a twelve months cycle;

#### 3. Commencement

- (1) No person may, 18 months after commencement of these Regulations, manufacture in or import into South Africa any alcoholic beverages unless it complies with these Regulations.
- (2) These Regulations come into operation 18 months after the date of publication.

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