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### **Declaration of Class Title of Edible Oil and Fats Gets Extension**

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**Report Highlights:**

The Government of India's (GOI) Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) postponed the compliance date for the trans-fat declaration in food products February 27, 2017.

**General Information:**

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On December 1, 2016, FSSAI issued a notice to postpone its compliance date for declaring trans-fat in food products until February 27, 2017. FSSAI's May 2016 gazette notification on this subject can be accessed here: [Gazette Notification dated May 25, 2016](#).

FSSAI has granted this extension as to align the compliance date with another notification issued on August 4, 2015, which pertained to maximum trans-fat level limits.

The full text of the latest notification is pasted below.

**F.No. 3305-01/REG/FSSAI/2016**  
**Food Safety and Standards Authority of India**  
(A statutory Authority under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India)  
**FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110002**

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The 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2016

**Subject: Direction under Section 16 (5) of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 regarding compliance of Notification no. F.No. 1(94)2015/Notification P&L/Enf/FSSAI dated 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 relating to declaration of class title, trans fat content and saturated fat content on label of the food products.**

Reference is drawn to the notification no. 1(94)2015/Notification P&L/Enf/FSSAI dated 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 published in the Official Gazette of India regarding declaration of class title, trans fat content and saturated fat content on label of the food products and subsequent extension of timeline of this notification *vide* direction issued on 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2016.

2. Reference is also drawn to the notification no. 4/15015/30/2011 dated 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2015 w.r.t reduction of maximum limit of trans fatty acids to be not more than 5%, in which case the time for compliance was extended from 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2016 to 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2017 *vide* direction dated 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2016.

3. Since both the notifications are related to Trans Fatty Acids w.r.t the maximum limit and labelling requirement, the compliance for the notification no. (94)2015/Notification P&L/Enf/FSSAI dated 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 related to declaration of class title shall be from 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2017 so as to align the compliance date of both notifications.

4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority in exercise of the power vested with Food Authority under Section 16(5) of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.



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To

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2. All Authorised Officer, FSSAI.
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