

*Food (Control of Quality) (Iodated Salt)*

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THE FOOD (CONTROL OF QUALITY) ACT, 1978  
(NO. 10 OF 1978)

**REGULATIONS**

Made under Section 16(1) and (2)

**THE FOOD (CONTROL OF QUALITY) (IODATED SALT) REGULATIONS 1993**

- Citation** 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Food (control of Quality) (Iodated salt) Regulations, 1992.
- Interpretation** 2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:-
- "dealer" in relation to iodated salt in package form, means a person who carries on, directly or otherwise, the business of buying, selling, supplying or distributing iodated salt whether in wholesale or retail, but does not include a manufacturer who manufactures iodated salt which is sold or distributed in a package form except where iodated salt is sold by such manufacturer to any other person other than a dealer;
- "iodated salt" means a crystalline solid, white or pale, pink or light grey in colour, free from visible contamination with dust, dirt, clay, grit or any other extraneous adulterants or impurities and containing moisture not exceeding 6.0 per cent of the weight of the undried sample and containing on dry weight basis:-;
- i) at least 97.0 per cent by weight of sodium chloride;
- ii) not more than 1.0 per cent by weight of matter insoluble in water;

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iii) not more than 2.0 per cent by weight of matter soluble in water other than sodium chloride; and

iv) the level of iodine shall be 100 parts per million at the same time of manufacture and not less than 30 parts per million at the time of its retail sale;

"Minister" means the Minister for the time being responsible for health;

"package" means a box, bottle, casket, tin, barrel, container, case, receptacle, sack, jute bag with an internal polythene lining, or a polythene bag in which iodated salt is placed or packed;

"packer" means a person who packs iodated salt in a package, in quantities suitable for sale whether wholesale or retail;

"principal display panel" in relation to a package, means that prominent part of a package which is intended; or is likely to be displayed, presented or shown to or examined by the customer under normal or customary conditions of display;

"salt laboratory" means a room or building equipped for testing of iodated salt.

3. No person shall import into the United Republic any edible salt in any other form other than iodated salt.

**Prohibition  
of import of  
salt**

4. No person shall on his own or cause any other person on his behalf to manufacture for sale or distribution store or display salt other than iodated salt.

**Prohibition on  
manufacture,  
store or sale  
of salt**

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- Condition for packing iodated salt** 5. No person shall pack, cause or permit to be packed iodated salt for sale, distribution, or delivery unless the package in which the iodated salt is packed bears within the principal display panel, the area of which shall not be less than forty percent of the total surface area of the package, legible and unambiguous declaration as to:-
- a) The complete name and address of the:-
    - i) manufacturer, if the manufacturer is also the packer; or
    - ii) packer, if the packer is not the manufacturer;
  - b) the net weight of the iodated salt contained in the package, excluding the weight of the package;
  - c) the month and year in which the iodated salt is manufactured and packed;
  - d) the batch and lot number of the package; and
  - e) the fact that the salt in the package is iodated.
- Conditions for dealers in iodated salt** 6. No dealer or any other person shall:-
- a) store, display, sell or distribute iodated salt in the package form unless the package complies with in all respects, the provisions of regulation 5;
  - b) sell or distribute iodated salt contained in a package which has been damaged, unless the dealer obtains the approval of the authorized officer, or
  - c) obliterate or alter any declaration made on any package.
- Inspection** 7. Any authorized officer may inspect any factory or any commercial concern, shop, store, any premises or vessel where edible salt is manufactured, packed or stored as the case may be, and may send the sample of that salt to any salt laboratory for analysis.

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8. Nothing contained in these Regulations shall be held to prevent a purchaser of iodated salt, other than an authorized officer from having it analysed in salt laboratory on payment of such fees as may be prescribed and from receiving from the Analyst a report of his analysis. **Purchaser may have iodated salt analysed**
9. (1) No prosecution for an offence under these Regulations other than the offence under regulation 8, shall be instituted except by a person authorized in this behalf. **Cognizance and trial of offences**
- (2) A Purchaser may institute a prosecution for an offence, if he produces in court a copy of the report of the Analyst along with a complaint.
10. If any person contravenes the provisions of these Regulations he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years or a fine not less than five hundred thousand shillings or to both such fine and imprisonment. **Penalties**

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