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### Morocco

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## **Additional Documents Required for Imported Energy Beverages**

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Beverages SP2 - Prevent or Resolve Barriers to Trade that Hinder U.S. Food and Agricultural Exports FAIRS Subject Report Retail Foods **Approved By:** Adam Carruthers **Prepared By:** 

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#### **Report Highlights:**

This report is an unofficial translation of a new technical file that importers of Energy Beverages must submit to the National Food Security Office (ONSSA) by Nov 30, 2018. ONSSA is undertaking a health assessment of energy drinks in regards to the health of the consumer; part of the precautionary principle under <u>Article 6 of Food Safety Law No. 28-07</u>. The import market for energy drinks in Morocco is estimated at \$5 million.

#### Marketing of Energy Drinks in Morocco

Technical File to provide for any marketing application, on the domestic market of energy drinks **Documents to provide:** 

- 1. Application for authorization to import or produce the energy drink;
- 2. Material Safety Data Sheet giving the following information:
  - Tradename;
  - Category;
  - Name, address, quality and company name of the applicant;
  - Supplier references;
  - Place of manufacture;
  - Presentation;
  - Nutritional properties;
  - Dosage;
  - Possible limitations of use and against indication;
  - Storage conditions ;
  - Validity date.

3. A sheet giving the qualitative and quantitative composition and the information relating to the nutritional properties of the product;

4. List of countries where the product is marketed;

5. Certificate issued by a competent authority stating that the product is manufactured in accordance with good manufacturing practice;

- 6. Health certificate issued by an official body;
- 7. Analysis bulletin indicating the toxicological and bacteriological analyzes with references to the texts in force;
- 8. Label samples;
- 9. Sample sales template.

The documents composing the file must be originals, if necessary, certified copies written in Arabic or French.

#### Labeling requirements:

The labeling of the product must comply with the provisions of <u>Decree No. 2-01-1016 of 4 June 2002</u> regulating the conditions of labeling and presentation of foodstuffs. It must contain the following information:

- The sales description;
- The list of ingredients;
- The net quantity;
- The expiry date and the indication of the particular conditions of storage and the date of production;
- The name or business name and address of the manufacturer or packer or importer;
- The place of origin or provenance whenever the omission of that mention is such as to create confusion in the mind of the buyer as to the true origin or provenance of the food;
- The instructions for use whenever its omission does not make it possible to make an appropriate use of the food as well as, if necessary, the particular conditions of use, in particular the precautions for use;

• All labeling information must be easily understandable, written in Arabic and possibly in all other languages.