

Legal basis

- **Regulations** apply throughout Europe, **guiding principles** apply throughout Germany
- **Lebensmittelinformations-Verordnung** (LMIV) regulates basics and special cases for food
- **Zusatzstoffzulassungs-Verordnung** regulates additives (E numbers)
- **Leitsätze** only for individual food groups e.g. meat, fish, fats/oils, bakery products, fruit juice/ soft drinks, ice cream, vegan/vegetarian foods

Best before & use by date

- **Best before date**
 - Until this date, **the manufacturer assures** that the food has the same properties as on the day of production (color, smell, taste, texture).
 - As a rule, all foodstuffs (use-by date as 'exception')
- **Use by date**
 - The food **must be consumed/processed** by this date
 - Only for perishable food (e.g. minced meat)



What info on the packaging?

- 1: Food name before ingredient list
- 2: Ingredient list in descending order by weight percentage.
- 3: Nutritional information (omitted for packages < 25 cm², unprocessed products & spices).
- 3a: Big 7
- 3b: Other nutritional values (optional)
- 3c: Nutritional information per serving (voluntary)
- 4: Minimum shelf life/expiration date
- 5: Net weight
- 6: Special storage conditions
- 7: Last distributor/distributor
- ...



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