

1. Food legislation changes of Ukraine for 2023 on the way to European integration

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Introduction. Currently, Ukraine is on the way to joining the EU, and in order to successfully complete this process, Ukrainian legislation continues to be aligned with European requirements.

Materials and methods. The current analysis of the state food legislation on the basis of general theoretical and industry research in the food safety. The Ukrainian legislative and legal analysis.

Results. The food industry is a strategic industry that ensures food security in every country. The law No. 3221-IX "On Amendments to Certain Laws of Ukraine Regarding Improvement of State Regulation of Food Safety and Development of Animal Husbandry" was adopted in June 2023, which provides for amendments to a number of currently valid laws of Ukraine. Adopted changes make it possible to specify the labeling of vegetarian food, and visual markings are introduced for agricultural products; the requirements for labeling chicken eggs are changing, bringing them closer to EU requirements. A number of terms are introduced ("artisanal food product", "health benefit claim", "nutritional value claim", "traditional food from another country", "authorized person", "food flavorings", "food additive". Registries are being created for new foods, food additives, food flavourings, food enzymes and health claims. The requirements for unscheduled measures of state control over compliance with the legislation on food are defined: at the request of the business entity; for the appeal of an individual about a violation that caused him harm; on behalf of the Prime Minister of Ukraine with detected systemic violations; verification of implementation to eliminate violations; based on reports received from RASFF, health care facilities, accredited laboratories, official veterinarian, authorized veterinarian, slaughterhouse employee. In addition to the Laws of Ukraine, a number of Agrarian Policy of Ukraine Ministry Orders were also adopted in 2023, which will improve legislative regulation in this area.

Conclusions

1. The adopted changes allow specifying the labeling of vegetarian food products, as well as visual markings for agricultural products.

2. The requirements for labeling chicken eggs are changing.

3. The adopted terms are introduced, which allows unambiguous interpretation in the quality and safety of food.

4. Registries are being created for new foods, food additives, food flavourings, food enzymes and health claims.

5. The requirements for unscheduled measures of state control over compliance with the legislation on food are defined.

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