



ALDI UK & Ireland
Salt Reduction Policy



Position Statement

ALDI UK is part of the ALDI SOUTH Group.

“The ALDI SOUTH Group of Companies conducts its business according to the principle of corporate responsibility. In all we do we assume responsibility towards our customers, business partners, employees, the community, and the environment.”

(Source: *Corporate Responsibility Principles of the ALDI SOUTH Group*)

Background

In 2016, ALDI signed up to the UK Government’s Childhood Obesity Strategy. This strategy includes a commitment to the salt reduction programme. In September 2020, Public Health England released updated salt reduction targets to be achieved by 2024.

The salt reduction programme now has targets for 84 specific food groups that contribute most to peoples’ salt intakes. Progress towards these goals will bring public health benefits.

Scope

The 84 product categories, the descriptions and their targets can be found here:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/915406/2024_salt_reduction_targets_070920-FINAL-1.pdf

Policy

All ALDI own label products must comply with the 2017 Salt Reduction Maximum Targets. The majority of categories have an average target and a maximum target. For any category that appears to only have an average target, this level is considered a maximum target.

All ALDI own label products should aim to comply with the 2024 Salt Reduction Maximum Targets. Again, the majority of categories have an average target and a maximum target. For any category that appears to only have an average target, this level is considered a maximum target.

Implementation

All businesses that supply Aldi food and drink products are expected to confirm that the products adhere to this policy.

All nutritional testing results must be declared as part of the information provided to ALDI via an online system and will be subject to routine due diligence testing.

Definitions

Meeting the target: Equal to or below the target when rounded to two decimal places.

Requirement: Where policies are stated as a requirement, the policy must be met in order for it to be compliant with the policy.

Aspiration: Where policies are stated as an aspiration, ALDI would like to work towards achieving this in the future but it is not classified as a non-compliance to the overall policy.