



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.

The salt reduction programme has targets for 76 specific food groups that contribute most to peoples’ salt intakes. Progress towards these goals will bring public health benefits.

Scope

The 76 product categories, the descriptions and their targets can be found here:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/604338/Salt_reduction_targets_for_2017.pdf

This policy is a requirement for all eligible ALDI own label products being sold in UK & Ireland.

Policy

All ALDI own label products should aim to 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.

ALDI own label products must be in line with or below the rest of the own label market on salt content, wherever this is possible without compromising on taste.

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: Considered to equal or be 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.