

written examination

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Exam: Unit 4: Food Standards

Exam cycle: September 2023

Date: 12 September 2023

Reading time: 10 minutes

Time: 10:00am – 11:30am

Max: 100 marks

Section A

Candidates should attempt to answer four questions.

Each question carries ten marks.

Total: 40 marks.

1. Differentiate, with examples, the terms 'claim', 'nutritional claim' and 'health claim' as given in EU 1924/2006.

(10 marks)

2. Outline the current requirements that must be met for a food officer to be authorised under the current Code of Practice.

(10 marks)

3. Food sampling controls allow for the use of "unopened containers" when taking a formal sample. Explain what this means, using at least three examples of how unopened containers are used in sampling.

(10 marks)

4. A manufacturer is producing prepacked Steak & Onion pies with the following ingredients used in their manufacture:

 Braising Steak (cubed) 35kg
 Flour 25kg
 Egg 15kg
 Onion 3kg
 Water 10kg
 Cubed potatoes 12kg

Calculate the QUID declarations required for this product. If the pie was sold cooked, would the declaration differ and, if so, why?

(10 marks)

Section A continues over the page.

5. Answer both parts of the question:

When taking a formal sample, a sample label needs to be included.

- (a) List what should appear on a sample label. (8 marks)
- (b) Where should the label be placed on the sample? (2 marks)

(Total 10 marks)

6. Answer both parts of the question:

EU 1169/2011 requires that prepacked foods carry mandatory food information, including a “nutritional declaration.”

- (a) Detail the information that needs to be included in any such nutritional declaration. (6 marks)
- (b) What other additional back of pack nutritional information could be given? (2 marks)
- (c) What are the exemptions to providing the mandatory nutritional information, allowed to manufacturers of foods that are to be sold directly to consumers or to retailers? (2 marks)

(Total 10 marks)

Section A total of 40 marks.

End of Section A.

Section B

Candidates should attempt to answer two questions.

Each question carries 30 marks.

Total: 60 marks.

7. Answer both parts of the question:

The Food Safety Act 1990, at Section 21, provides for a statutory defence for offences committed under the Act.

Q8 continued:

During your intervention, you discover the following:

1. The steak is actually imported from South Africa.
- 2.

10. Answer all parts of the question:

You receive a complaint from a local resident who is allergic to sesame. She suffered a severe reaction, resulting in hospitalisation, after eating a takeaway sandwich.

The sandwich was sold prepacked with no external labelling. It is packed on the same premises from which it is sold, with the sandwiches being prepared in advance of the premises opening.