

1510.2540 INGREDIENTS.

Subpart 1. **Format.** Each ingredient of a pet food or specialty pet food must be listed in the ingredient statement in compliance with items A to D.

A. The names of all ingredients in the ingredient statement must be shown in letters or type of the same size.

B. The ingredients must be listed in descending order by predominance by weight in nonquantitative terms.

C. Ingredients must be listed and identified by the name and definition established by AAFCO.

D. Any ingredient with no established name and definition must be identified by the common or usual name of the ingredient.

Subp. 2. **Meat; meat by-products.** The ingredients "meat" or "meat by-products" must be qualified to designate the animal from which the meat or meat by-products are derived unless the meat or meat by-products are derived from cattle, swine, sheep, goats, or any combination of those animals. For example, ingredients derived from horses must be listed as "horsemeat" or "horsemeat by-products."

Subp. 3. **Brand or trade names.** Brand or trade names must not be used in an ingredient statement.

Subp. 4. **Ingredient attribute.** A reference to the quality, nature, form, or other attribute of an ingredient is allowed if the reference meets the following requirements:

A. the designation is not false or misleading;

B. the ingredient imparts a distinctive characteristic to the pet food or specialty pet food because it possesses that attribute; and

C. a reference to quality or grade of the ingredient does not appear in the ingredient statement.

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