



**FOOD SAFETY & QUALITY DIVISION
MINISTRY OF HEALTH MALAYSIA**

Guidelines on importation of feeding bottles

1.0 Purpose

This guideline is prepared for the purpose of providing guidance on the importation of feeding bottles in Malaysia.




2.0 Introduction

The Ministry of Health Malaysia (MOH) had banned the importation, manufacture, advertise for sale or sell any feeding bottles containing Bisphenol A (BPA) since 1 March 2012. This is in line with the gazette of Regulation 27A of the Food Regulations 1985 which prescribes that no person shall import, manufacture or advertise for sale or sell any feeding bottles containing BPA.

Based on the Customs (Prohibition of Imports) Order 2017, importation of feeding bottles of plastic under the tariff code of 3924.10.90 10 shall require the approval from the Food Safety and Quality Division, MOH before such consignment are released.

3.0 Import controls of feeding bottles at the entry points

All importation of feeding bottles of plastic shall be referred by the Royal Malaysian Customs Department (RMCD) to MOH for inspection and approval. **Feeding bottles made from polycarbonate plastic (PC) are prohibited to be imported as they contain BPA.** These type of plastic feeding bottles are tough (rigid) and transparent. PC plastic feeding bottles will fall under the plastic identification code (PIC) number seven (7) / OTHER. This PIC number is normally located at the bottom part of the item as shown through the example as follows:-

- a. Number 7 
- b. Number 7 and PC 
- c. Number 7 and 'other' 

However, plastic feeding bottles classified under PIC number seven (7) / OTHER may not contain BPA as these types of bottles are made from other plastics besides PIC number one (1) to six (6) or combination of plastics within PIC number one (1) to six (6).

Therefore, feeding bottles of plastic with PIC number seven (7) / OTHER or without any PIC number indicated on the bottles will be assigned a Level Five (5) examination action (Hold, Test and Release – HTR) to be tested for BPA. Subsequently, feeding bottles of plastic with PIC number besides seven (7) / OTHER will be allowed to be imported with monitoring samples taken from time to time.

The overall flow of the import controls of feeding bottles at the entry points is shown in **Appendix I**.

4.0 Enquiries

Kindly direct any enquiries to:

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