

**[BFAD (DOH) MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 6,
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**MONITORING OF FOOD PRODUCTS REQUIRING AN OPEN DATE
MARKING**

Based on existing regulations, the following food products are required to indicate their "Best Before Date" in their respective labelling, to wit:

No. 001-A s. 1992 - Liquid Milk Products

1. Evaporated Milk
 - a. recombined/reconstituted
 - b. filled

2. Sweetened Condensed Milk

3. UHT Sterilized Milk

No. 001-B s. 1982 - Bakery Products in Supermarkets not in the bakery (Loaf Bread and Buns)

No. 001-C s. 1982 - Infant Food - Infant Formula

No. 001-D s. 1982 - Vitamin C - Enriched Liquid Fruit Drinks

No.001-E s. 1982 -
Dried Dairy Milk Powder
Whole Milk Powder
Skimmed Milk Powder
Filled Milk Powder

In line with the implementation of the Consumer Act of the Philippines, you are directed to strictly enforce the regulations on open date marking and closely monitor food products in the market. Advise the retailers to remove from their respective sales counters all those that do not bear conspicuously the required open date marking. In cases of resistance, reports of violation and/or criminal complaint would have to be filled before BFAD and the Office of City/Provincial Fiscal respectively, against the retailer and the manufacturer.

Please be guided accordingly.

Adopted: 9 June 1993