



Milk SA - Dairy Regulations & Standards 2023

(PRJ-0352-2023)

Dairy Standard Agency

Year 2023/2023 (January 2023 till December 2023)

Project goals

Goal 1 - Deliberation of industry regulations relating to food safety, product composition, metrological and related standards as well as voluntary industry related standards e.g. animal welfare and related matters.

Achievements

Effective communication of regulations and standards and aspects relating to the enforcement thereof is crucial as the dairy industry is required to be fully conversant of current and proposed changes to legislative and voluntary standards. To assist in this regard, the activities of the project were executed according to its Plan which is subject to review on an annual basis.

The Regulation and Standards Project of Milk SA actively participated in formalising draft regulations and standards and comments on regulatory matters, legal consultation as well as communication through Milk SA in the interest of the dairy industry and other stakeholders.

The project management of the Regulation and Standards Project of Milk SA regularly consulted during the year with the organised dairy industry and other stakeholders with specific reference to the following:

Interaction on a regular basis with the project managers of the Milk SA's Consumer Education Project, South African Milk Processors' Organization (SAMPRO), Milk Producers Organisation (MPO) as well as the Project Coordinating Committee of Milk SA (DSA, CEP and Dairy Research and Development Council (DRDC).

The DRDC and management committee meetings were attended, and subsequent contributions were made towards regulatory matters regarding sustainability with specific reference to environmental management and animal welfare.

Joint interaction on International Dairy Federation (IDF), Codex and ARSO matters, as well as with the Consumer Goods Council of South Africa (CGCSA) continued to ensure comprehensive reports, based on scientific input from respective regulatory bodies.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 2 - Liaison with industry and statutory bodies in terms of draft, promulgated and repealed legislation and effective communication through the Milk SA organisational structures.

Achievements

Extensive deliberation for example the draft R3337/ 2023. Regulations relating to the labelling and advertising of foods R1510/2019 Regulations relating to dairy and imitation dairy products. SANS 1694 Welfare of Dairy Cattle and SANS1. Transport of Livestock took place. Actions included industry consultations and submission of comments and draft proposals on behalf of the organised dairy industry. Please see attached comprehensive report for more detail.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 3 - Liaison and consultation on an internal and external basis and comment within specified time frames via Milk SA organisational structures

Achievements

During the course of 2023 the project management consulted widely on internal as well as external basis and reported by means of the Milk SA management information system project quarterly reports. Internal liaison with bodies such as the Milk SA projects namely the Dairy Research and Development, Consumer Education project, Customs and Excise, Sampro and MPO members were regular and effective. External liaison via Milk SA technical workgroups created efficient platforms to assist with drafting industry comments in respect of dairy standards (product composition, food safety, metrology, animal welfare and environmental issues)

External liaison stretched over a profile of governmental departments and directorates in respect of draft regulations, chemical residue monitoring, collaborative efforts in respect legal compliance, and collaboration on establishment of Brucellosis testing facilities.

Consultation work in collaboration with the CGCSA (Consumer Goods Council of SA) occurred regularly in respect of Food loss and waste initiatives, appointment of assignees under the Agricultural Product Standards Act

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 4 - Report to industry via Milk SA structures

Achievements

Effective communication of the actions of this project were done via Milk SA by means of biannual industry meetings as well as the Milk SA quarterly and annual reporting system.

The Regulation and Standards Project of Milk SA actively shared industry regulatory information on a regular basis so that where applicable industry comments were needed same could be collated, formulated and forwarded to the broader industry and government structures.

Interaction on a regular basis with the project managers of the Milk SA's Consumer Education Project (CEP), South African Milk Processors' Organization (SAMPRO), Milk Producers Organisation (MPO) as well as the Project Coordinating Committee of Milk SA (DSA, CEP and Dairy Research and Development Committee (DRDC).

The DRDC and management committee meetings were attended, and subsequent contributions were made towards regulatory matters regarding sustainability with specific reference to environmental management and animal welfare.

Joint interaction on International Dairy Federation (IDF), Codex and ARSO matters, as well as with the Consumer Goods Council of South Africa (CGCSA) continued to ensure comprehensive reports, based on science to the respective regulatory bodies.

Quarterly reports to Milk SA

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Income and expenditure statement

Income and expenditure statement	PRJ-0352-2023.pdf
Unnecessary spending during period	No

Popular Report

[RS Project Annual Popular report 2023 Final.pdf](#)

Additional documentation

No file has been uploaded

Statement

Levy funds were applied only for the purposes stated in the contract	Yes
Levy funds were applied in an appropriate and accountable manner	Yes
Sufficient management and internal control systems were in place to adequately control the project and accurately account for the project expenditure	Yes
The information provided in the report is correct	Yes