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## Ohio Revised Code Section 913.25 Label requirements.

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(A) Whenever synthetic flavors are used as a substitute for natural flavors in soft drinks or soft drink flavors prepared for sale, sold, or offered for sale, such products shall be labeled "artificially flavored" or with an equivalent designation approved by the director of agriculture.

(B) Any word, statement, or other information required by sections 913.22 to 913.28, inclusive, of the Revised Code, to appear on the label shall be placed on such label with such conspicuousness, as compared with words, statements, designs, or devices in the labeling, and in such terms, so it may be read and understood by the ordinary individual under customary conditions of purchase and use.

(C) Where soft drinks are sold in bottles or other closed containers, the labeling information required by sections 913.23 and 913.24 of the Revised Code, shall be placed on the container, label, or on the cap of the container, together with the name of the product, trade-mark, or other specific reference to the product to which it refers.

(D) Soft drinks sold from bulk or from fountains shall conform generally to this section. If said soft drinks sold or offered for sale in bulk contain artificial coloring or artificial flavoring of any kind, there shall be prominently displayed in a conspicuous place on the counters or shelves, or on all stands, booths, or other places where such drinks are sold or dispensed, a conspicuous label or sign "artificially colored" or "artificially flavored," or both.

(E) No soft drink shall be prepared for sale, sold, or offered for sale in bottles or other closed containers unless the name and principal location of the manufacturer or bottler thereof are shown on such container by being molded, printed, or otherwise labeled on such container or such name and location may be shown on the bottle cap in the case of permanently and distinctively branded bottles; but a licensee under sections 913.22 to 913.28, inclusive, of the Revised Code, has not violated this section if the container for the soft drink of such licensee shows on such container the product name, trade-mark, or brand used by such licensee by being permanently molded or otherwise impressed on such container, which product name, trade-mark, or brand, and a full



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description of the territory in which such products of the licensee are distributed, was filed with the director as a part of the application for license required by section 913.23 of the Revised Code. No person shall use, for the sale or distribution of soft drinks or other beverages, any bottles or other containers bearing the label, name, trade-mark, or brand of any other person without the consent of such other person, and any person who so uses bottles or other containers without such consent may be enjoined in a suit by the owner of the bottles or other containers bearing such label, name, trade-mark, or brand.

(F) In addition to the specific labeling requirements set forth in sections 913.22 to 913.28, inclusive, of the Revised Code, all labels for soft drinks and soft drink flavors shall generally conform to the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act relative to the labeling of food products.