



**The BPA-Free Package label** was developed in response to growing consumer concerns about bisphenol A (BPA) leaching into food and beverages from packaging, and a desire from food and beverage companies to offer safer packaging alternatives to BPA.

The purpose of the BPA-Free Package program is to:

Create a common standard and label allowing food and beverage companies to communicate which food and beverage packaging was formulated without the use of BPA

Accelerate the transition for food and beverage companies, and packaging manufacturers, to adopt and manufacture BPA-free packaging

#### **Label requirements**

A food or beverage company has the right to use the BPA-Free Package label directly on their specific food products that meet the following requirements:

The packaging does not contain BPA on any surface that comes into contact with food (i.e., uses safer, non-BPA epoxy resins on all food contact surfaces) and does not contain BPA in any other part of packaging where it is likely to come into contact with food.

Given that BPA is found in dust, air and water and could contaminate BPA-free packaging, trace amounts of BPA in packaging may occur where such amounts do not exceed a reasonable threshold based on a scientifically sound principle.

The definition of food packaging includes any container, bottle, or wrapper intended to hold or store food or drink.

#### **Company requirements**

For food and beverage companies to obtain the right to use the BPA-Free Food Package label on their product line(s) that meet the requirements, they must:

Provide verifiable purchasing information from their packaging supplier(s) that indicate packaging materials are made without BPA on the surfaces with which food or beverage comes into contact. Submit signed affidavit that this information is true.

Agree to make all of these documents publicly available to consumers and the public online.

Designate a point of contact within the company that can answer questions and is responsible for ensuring the validity of purchasing information and the affidavits.

BPA is omnipresent in the environment from a multitude of sources making the complete elimination of BPA from products challenging. Products displaying the BPA-Free Package logo are verified to be packaged in containers that do not use BPA in production.