

## The Labeling Requirement for Food Containing *Cordyceps Mycelium*

The food containing *Cordyceps Mycelium* (hereinafter referred to as the food) shall be labeled in accordance with the requirement stipulated in Act Governing Food Sanitation (hereinafter referred to as the Act) Article 17 and item 1.1 to 1.5, and others designated under item 1.6 of the same article as follows:

- I. The food shall be labeled in accordance with the following provisions:
  - (I) “The product is not made from the traditional Chinese medicine *Cordyceps sinensis*”, this shall be indicated on external packing of relevant products and must be well visible. Length and width of the font of each letter of “The product is not made from the traditional Chinese medicine *Cordyceps sinensis*” shall not be less than 4 centimeters.
  - (II) Chinese name and the Latin scientific name of the strain used shall be indicated on the external packing and must be well visible.
  - (III) Label or advertising of food containing mycelium of *Cordyceps sinensis* shall not indicate just “*Cordyceps sinensis*” but the full term “mycelium of *Cordyceps sinensis*”; furthermore the font of each letter of “mycelium of *Cordyceps sinensis*” shall be the same size.
- . When a food product is named as “mycelium of *Cordyceps sinensis*”, the strain adopted must be *Hirsutella sinensis* or concerned strains isolated from *Cordyceps sinensis*.
- . The anamorph of *Cordyceps sinensis* is *Hirsutella sinensis*. The producer is not required to provide the strain source certificate but shall provide the strain identification certificate when *Hirsutella sinensis* is used as raw material for a product.
- .When a strain other than *Hirsutella sinensis* is used as raw material, the

producer shall send the source certificate that can prove the strain isolated from *Cordyceps sinensis* together with relevant certificates stating the specific process, specification and edible safety, to the Department Of Health, Executive Yuan for future reference.