

ANNEX I Part 5

Guide on 'How to List the Ingredients':

A full list of ingredients must be given on the outer packaging headed or preceded by the word **INGREDIENTS**. Where there is no outer packaging the list must appear on the immediate packaging. This list must:

1. Show all ingredients added to the product;
2. Use the name given in the Common Ingredients Nomenclature known as the INCI name (International Nomenclature for Cosmetic Ingredients)
3. In absence of an INCI^a name, use an alternative as listed in Annex I Part 6 of this guide.
4. Show ingredients in descending order of weight, the weight determined at the time the ingredients are added to the product.
5. Ingredients in concentrations of less than 1% may be listed in any order after those in concentrations of 1 % or more.
6. Colorants may be listed in any order, after all the other ingredients using the Colour Index Number or denominations (however this is not applicable for hair dyes)
7. For decorative cosmetics^b, marketed in several colour shades, all colouring agents used in the range may be listed preceded by the word "may contain"

For the purposes of labelling, the following are not regarded as cosmetic ingredients and do not need to be shown:

- Impurities in raw materials;
- Subsidiary technical materials used in the preparation of the cosmetic products but not present in the final product. For example, alkalis used to adjust the pH at any stage of preparation would not be declared. Similarly, solvents used for extraction purposes but subsequently 'driven off' would not be listed;
- Materials used in strictly necessary quantities as solvents or as carriers for perfumes and aromatic compositions.

Note:

- a. In cases where an ingredient does not have an INCI name or is in the process of getting the INCI registered into the standard references, a temporary name may be used in the Full Ingredient Listing.
- b. Decorative cosmetics are taken to be cosmetic products intended to modify the appearance of the area to which they are applied, usually by the use of colour. Examples are; lipstick, eye shadow, blusher, eye pencil, liquid foundation, powder, mascara, nail polish, hair tints and dyes, etc.