

**Amendments/Clarifications Made to the Mexican Labelling Rules
for Textiles and Apparel (NOM-004-SCFI-1994)**

	Requirements Published on 24 January 1996	Revisions Published on February 1997
A. Scope	Textiles, apparel and related accessories	No mention of change
B. Labelling Requirements		
1. Information to be provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Country of origin of finished product (b) Trademark (identification of manufacturer or importer) (c) Description of inputs (fiber content) (d) Size in case of garments, measurements in the case of household items (e) Care instructions (f) Name or corporate name and Mexican tax identification number of the manufacturer or importer (g) Country of origin of inputs (h) For products made in more than one country, the names of the last two countries processing the product 	<p>On (c), fiber names in accordance with specific Mexican Standard (NMX-A-099) must be used. It is <u>unacceptable</u> to use abbreviations or names other than those indicated in the relevant standard.</p> <p>On (e), if care labelling symbols used are not in conformity with specific Mexican standard (NMX-A-240), care instructions must be fully set out in Spanish.</p>
2. Manner of affixation	Items B.1(e) must be provided on permanently affixed labels. A temporary label can be used for item B.1(f). Requirements for items B.1(g) and B.1(h) have not been officially specified. However, since a permanent label is required for country of origin designation, it is likely that items B.1(g) & (h) will have to be on permanent labels.	No mention of change

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3. Place of Affixation	Items B.1(a)-(e) must be applied prior to exportation to Mexico. It is expected that items B.1(g)-(h) will also have to be applied prior to exportation to Mexico. Item B.1(f) can be applied after entry into Mexico, but prior to retail sale.	No mention of change
4. Language used	Spanish is required but other languages may be used in addition Symbols may be used for care labelling	Information on the label <u>must</u> appear in Spanish while the information may also appear in any other language.
5. Implementation date	February 1996 for items B.1(a)-(f) and (h) 24 July 1996 for item B.1(g) Mexican sizing standards known as the General System of Sizing must be implemented in February 1997. Until that time, sizing other than the Mexican standard is acceptable	As advised in Commercial Information Circular No. 103/96, implementation dates for Items B.1(g) and the requirements that labels must contain information on sizes/measures of textile items in accordance with specific Mexican standard are postponed indefinitely.