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## FOREWORD

The guideline prepared in this standard aimed to provide technical specifications and requirements for producers, packers, supply chain businesses, trainers, government representatives, auditors and others to understand the practice required in implementing and ensuring the safety and quality of food packaging.

## NORMATIVE REFERENCE

The following referenced document are indispensable for the application of this documents. For dated, only the edition cited applies. For the undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

- (i) International Standard Organisation (ISO) documents
- (ii) European Commission (EC) Regulation on articles intended to come into contact with food (EU) No 10/2011
- (iii) ASEAN General Guidelines on Food Contact Materials
- (iv) Brunei Darussalam Public Health (Food) Regulations, (R1, Chapter 182)
- (v) Food Safety and Standards (Packaging) Regulations 2018, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
- (vi) Piawai Brunei Darussalam (PBD) 24:2007, 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, Brunei Darussalam Standard on Halal Food

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It is our hope that this guideline could help all the relevant parties in Brunei Darussalam.

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## **GUIDELINE ON FOOD PACKAGING MATERIALS**

### **Section I: Scope**

This guideline may serve as a convenient guide for the safe use of materials that come into contact with food, encompassing safety, hygiene and sanitary, environmental and economical aspects for public, small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and other businesses for food packaging purposes.

This document provides general guidelines for the safety and safe use any types of materials and articles in their finished state that;

- are intended to be brought into contact with food; or
- are already in contact with food and were intended for that purpose; or
- can reasonably be expected to be brought into contact with food or to transfer their constituents to food under normal or foreseeable conditions of use.

These guidelines shall not apply to:

- a) Packaging materials which are naturally occurring, such as banana leaves, bamboo leaves, bamboo stalks, molluscs shells, and have not been subjected to chemical treatment or modification;
- b) Covering or coating materials which form part of the food and may be consumed together with this food such as edible casings.