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### Flour Fortification Requirements-Part 2

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**Report Highlights:**

This report contains an unofficial translation of Morocco's requirements on flour fortification, which implements [Decree No. 2-04-52](#), and reaffirms its applicability to imported fortified flour. This trade measure has not been notified to the WTO. In 2018, the U.S.-Morocco FTA provides first-come, first-serve market access for 1,903 MT of U.S. common wheat products (e.g., flour, groats, etc.), which increases two percent annually. Morocco imports 250 MT annually of common wheat products from the EU, Oman, China, and Lebanon, but has yet to import any such products from the United States since the FTA's implementation in 2006.

**Joint Order of the Minister of Health and the Minister of Agriculture, Rural Development and Maritime Fisheries [No. 2232-06 of October 16, 2006](#) (Ramadan 23, 1427) for the implementation of [Decree No. 2-04-52 of December 2, 2005](#) (Chaoual 29, 1426) relating to the flour fortification.**

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**MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND MARITIME FISHERIES,  
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH,**

**Having regard to [Decree No.2-04-52 of December 2, 2005 \(Chaoual 29, 1426\) relating to the flour fortification](#)**, in particular its Article 4;

After a favorable opinion from the Permanent Interministerial Commission for Food Control and the Fraud Repression in the Sale of Goods, held on April 17, 2002,

**DECIDE:**

**FIRST CHAPTER:**

***Composition of iron-vitamin mixture and specifications of fortified flour***

**FIRST ARTICLE:** In accordance with the provisions of Article 4 of the abovementioned Decree, the proportions of the constituents of one kilogram of the iron-vitamin compound retained for the fortification of common wheat flour are fixed as follows:

1. Iron element area-----500 grams;
2. Folic acid-----17 grams;
3. Vitamin B1-----50 grams;
4. Vitamin B2-----31 grams;
5. Vitamin PP----- 402 grams.

**Article 2:** Compliance with the proportions set in Article 1 above must be certified by the supplier of the iron-vitamin compound by a certificate issued to the miller each time the said compound is delivered.

**Article 3:** The iron-vitamin compound must be incorporated at the rate of 90 grams in each ton of common wheat flour, and give a mixture containing at least: 45 grams of elemental iron, 1.53 grams of folic acid, 4.50 grams of vitamin B1, 2.79 grams of vitamin B2 and 36.18 grams of vitamin PP. The mixture of the flour and the iron-vitamin compound must be homogeneous. The resulting mixture is referred to as "fortified flour".

The imported fortified flour must comply with the provisions of the previous paragraphs of this Article.

## **CHAPTER II:**

### ***Specifications of the Additional Material "iron-vitamin compound" to the flour***

**Article 4:** All industrial flourmills must be equipped with the following equipment:

- A device for adding the iron-vitamin compound to flour, a "micro-dosing device", which meets the conditions laid down by the legislation and regulations in force, in particular Article 8 of [Law No.13-83 on the fraud repression on the goods](#), concerning materials intended to come into contact with foodstuffs produced for human consumption;
- A device for analyzing and controlling the content of the flour fortified with iron.

**Article 5:** The control of the fortified flour must be carried out by the industrial flourmills, before any marketing thereof. This control must focus on the elemental iron content.

The results of the said control must be entered in a register that comply with the standard register jointly drawn up by the Ministry of Health and the National Federation of Flourmills Industry. The standard register is distributed to the mills by the federation.

**Article 6:** This Joint Order comes into force six months after its date of publication in the Official Bulletin.

***Done in Rabat, on October 16, 2006 (Ramadan 23, 1427)***

Minister of Agriculture , Rural Development , and Maritime Fisheries,

***MOHAMED LAENSER***

Minister of Health,

***MOHAMED CHEIKH BIADILLAH***

**Decision of the Minister of Health No. 2233-06 of October 16, 2006 (Ramadan 23, 1427) fixing the representative logo of fortified food products.**

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**THE MINISTER OF HEALTH,**

**Having regard to** [Decree No.2-04-52 of December 2, 2005 \(Chaoual 29, 1426\) relating to the flour fortification](#), in particular Article 2 thereof;

**DECIDE:**

**FIRST ARTICLE:** In accordance with the provisions of Article 2 of Decree No. 2-04-52 referred to above, the packaging of fortified flour must be provided with a label bearing the logo representing fortified food products, as fixed in annex to this Decision.

**Article 2:** This decision will be published in the Official Bulletin.

**Ministry of Health**



**Health and Safety Mark**

*Done in Rabat, on October 16, 2006 (Ramadan 23, 1427)*

Minister of Health,

**MOHAMED CHEIKH BIADILLAH**