



Gourmet Foods in the European Tradition

Information on Removal of 'No MSG' Claim

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and Health Canada have required that the 'Meat Industry' in future stops using the 'No MSG (added)' claims.

This is because Health Canada now says that claims pertaining to the absence, or non-addition, of **monosodium glutamate** (MSG) through the use of the statement 'No MSG (added)' is now considered misleading and deceptive because 'glutamates' occur naturally in meat, as well as in many vegetables, and even in cheese.

Health Canada's rationale is that consumers may believe that added MSG is the only source of 'glutamates' in food products, and yet people who have a sensitivity to MSG in food may have a similar sensitivity to foods containing 'glutamates' from other sources.

All Freybe products do not contain any added MSG, but will contain 'glutamates' that occur naturally in fresh meat (pork, beef, poultry), as well as in many vegetables (such as onions, tomatoes, mushrooms). Having been informed of this CFIA (and Health Canada) position, we have no choice but to remove the 'No MSG' claim.