



Acronyms that may be used during FDLI's Introduction to Food Law and Regulation

AAFCO	American Association of Feed Control Officials
ABI	Automated Broker Interface
ACS	Automated Commercial System
ADI	accepted daily intake
ADME	absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion
AE	adverse event
AER	adverse event reporting
AFDO	Association of Food and Drug Officials
AHAs	Alpha Hydroxy Acids
ALA	alpha-linolenic acid
ALJ	administrative law judge (FTC)
AMA	Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946
AMS	Agricultural Marketing Service (USDA)
ANDA	Abbreviated New Drug Application
ANPR	advance notice of proposed rulemaking
ANZFA	Australia New Zealand Food Authority (now named FSANZ)
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
APA	Administrative Procedures Act
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
APHIS	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA)
AQSIQ	Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (People's Republic of China)
ARS	Agricultural Research Service (USDA)
ARTCA	Antimicrobial Regulation Technical Corrections Act of 1998
ASTM	American Society for Testing Materials
ATF	Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (U.S. Department of Justice)
ATPA	American Technology Pre-Eminence Act of 1991
BAL	Beverage Alcohol Laboratory (TTB)
BBB	Council of Better Business Bureau, Inc.
BHA	butylated hydroxyanisole
BCP	Bureau of Consumer Protection (FTC)
BNFs	Biotechnology Notifications
BPA	Bisphenol A
BSE	bovine spongiform encephalopathy
BST	bovine somatotropin

<i>Bt</i>	<i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i>
BTA	Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, also known as the Bioterrorism Act
CAERS	CFSAN Adverse Events Reporting System
CAFTA-DR	Central American-Dominican Republic Free Trade Agreement
CARU	Children’s Advertising Review Unit (BBB)
CBP	Customs and Border Protection (DHS)
CCFAC	Codex Committee on Food Additives and Contaminants
CCFICS	Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Certification and Inspection Systems
CCFL	Codex Committee on Food Labeling
CCP	critical control point
CCPR	Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues
CCVDF	Codex Committee on Veterinary Drugs in Foods
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CFCs	chlorofluorocarbons
CFEA	Criminal Fine Enforcement Act of 1984
CFIA	Canadian Food Inspection Agency
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CFSAN	Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (FDA)
CHD	coronary heart disease
CIR	Cosmetic Ingredient Review
cGMPs	current good manufacturing practices
CNPP	USDA Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion
COA	Certificate of Analysis
COC	Certificate of Conformity
Codex	Codex Alimentarius Commission
COLA	Certificate of label approval
COOL	Country-of-origin labeling (USDA)
CPIS	Cosmetic Product Ingredient Statement
CPSC	Consumer Product Safety Commission
CSREES	Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Services (USDA)
CSI	Consumer Safety Inspector
CSO	Consumer Safety Officer
CSPIA	Consumer Product Safety Information Act of 2008
CTFA	Cosmetic, Toiletry and Fragrance Association, now known as the Personal Care Products Council
CVM	Center for Veterinary Medicine
DALs	defect action levels
DD	District Director
DDMAC	Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising and Communications (CDER)
DDT	dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane
DEEM	Dietary Exposure Evaluation Model

DHA/EPA	docosahexaenoic acid/eicosapentaenoic acid DHS
DHS	U.S. Department of Homeland Security
DIN	Drug Identification Number (Canada)
DMF	Drug Master Files
DOC	Documentary sample DOJ
DOJ	Department of Justice
DRG	Department of Dorsal Root Ganglia
DRI	daily reference intake
DRV	daily reference value
DSHEA	The Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994
DSNDCPA	Dietary Supplement and Nonprescription Drug Consumer Protection Act of 2006
DV	daily value
DWPE	Detention without Physical Examination
EAFUS	Everything Added to Food in the United States
ECE	Economic Commission for Europe
ECIMS	Executive Correspondence & Issues Management Staff (FSIS)
ECL	electrochemiluminescence
EDI	estimated daily intake
EEC	European Economic Community
EGCG	Epigallocatechin gallate
EIR	Establishment Inspection Report
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPIA	Egg Products Inspection Act of 1970
ERD	Emergency Response Division
ERS	Economic Research Service
ERSP	Electronic Retailing Self-Regulatory Program (BBB)
EU	European Union
FAA	Federal Alcohol Administration Act (TTB)
FALCPA	Food Allergen Labeling and Consumer Protection Act of 2004
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization (United Nations)
FAP	Food Additive Petition
FAS	USDA Foreign Agricultural Services
FAST	free and secure trade
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FCN	Food Contact Notification
FCSs	food contact substances
FDA	Food and Drug Administration (HHS)
FDAAA	Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act of 2007
FDAMA	Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997
FFDCA	Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, also FDCA and FD&C Act
FHSA	Federal Hazardous Substances Act (CPSC)
FIFRA	Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (EPA)

FMD	foot and mouth disease
FMIA	Federal Meat Inspection Act 1906 (USDA)
FNS	Food and Nutrition Services (USDA)
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
FOP	front of pack (labeling)
FORCG	Foodborne Outbreak Response Coordinating Group
FPLA	Fair Packaging and Labeling Act of 1967 (FTC)
FQPA	Food Quality Protection Act of 1996
FR	Federal Register
FSA	Farm Service Agency (USDA)
FSANZ	Food Standards Australia New Zealand
FSI	Food Safety Initiative
FSIS	Food Safety and Inspection Service (USDA)
FSL	Food Safety Law (via Standing Committee of China's National People's Congress)
FSMA	Food Safety Modernization Act of 2011
FSPTCA	Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act of 2009
FSVP	Foreign Supplier Verification Program
FTC	Federal Trade Commission
FTCA	Federal Trade Commission Act of 1914
GAO	General Accountability Office
GAP	good agricultural practice
GATT	General Agreement of Trade and Tariffs
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GEMS	Global Environment Monitoring System (WHO)
GEO	genetically engineered organisms
GIPSA	Grain Inspection, Packers & Stockyards Administration (USDA)
GM	genetically modified
GMOs	genetically modified organisms
GMPs	good manufacturing practices
GPRA	Government Performance and Results Act of 1993
GRAS	Generally Recognized as Safe
GRNs	Generally Recognized as Safe Notifications
HACCP	hazard analysis critical control point
HARBPC	Hazard Analysis and Risk-Based Preventive Controls
HCG	human chorionic gonadotropin
HHS	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (formerly known as the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare)
HPUS	Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia Convention of the United States
HRI	Hotel, Restaurant, Institution
HS	Handling Statement
IAL	informal action levels
IBIDS	International Bibliographic Information on Dietary Supplements

IDF	International Dairy Federation
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
IFA	Infant Formula Act of 1980
IIC	inspector-in-charge
INCI	International Nomenclature Cosmetic Ingredient
IND	investigational new drug application
INV sample	investigational sample
IOM	<i>Investigation Operations Manual</i> and Institute of Medicine
IP	information panel
IPP	Inspection Program Personnel
IPS	immediate previous source
IRR	Import Refusal Report
IS	Ingredients Statement
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
ISR	immediate subsequent recipient
ISSC	Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference
JAMA	Journal of American Medical Association
JECFA	Joint (FAO/WHO) Expert Committee on Food Additives
JIFSAN	Joint Institute of Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
JMPR	Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide Residues
LACF	low-acid canned foods and acidified foods
LDL	low density lipoproteins
<i>Lm</i>	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>
LMOs	living modified organisms
LPDD	Labeling and Program Delivery Division (FSIS)
MAV's	maximum allowable variations
MCLs	maximum contaminants level
MEA	multilateral environment agreements
MFC	Model Food Code
MIA	Meat Inspection Act of 1906
MoCRA	Modernization of Cosmetics Regulation Act
MOH	Ministry of Health (People's Republic of China)
MOU	memorandum of understanding
MPAs	marine protected areas
MPR	Moisture Protein Ratio
MRAs	mutual recognition agreements
MRLs	maximum residue limits
NAAG	National Association of Attorneys General
NACMCF	National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods
NAD	National Advertising Division (BBB)
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NAI	No Action Indicated
NAL	National Agricultural Library

NARB	National Advertising Review Board (BBB)
NARC	National Advertising Review Council (BBB)
NARMS	National Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System
NAS	National Academies of Science
NCC	nutrient content claims
NCFST	National Center for Food Safety and Technology
NCTR	National Center for Toxicological Research (FDA)
NCWM	National Conference on Weights and Measures
NDA	New Drug Application
NDI	new dietary ingredient
NEFLE	National Exchange for Food Labeling Education
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (EPA)
NF	Nutrition Facts
NF	National Formulary
NFP	Natural Health Product (Canada)
NGO	non-government organization
NHANES	National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (CDC)
NIH	National Institutes of Health
NDINs	new dietary ingredient notifications
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NLEA	Nutrition Labeling and Education Act of 1990
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service (Commerce)
NOAEL	No Observable Adverse Effect Level
NOEL	No Observed Effect level
NOSB	National Organic Standards Board
NOP	National Organic Program
NPRM	notice of proposed rulemaking
NR	noncompliance record
NRC	National Research Council
NRTE	not ready-to-eat
NSAIDs	nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs
NSIP	National Seafood Inspection Program
NSRLs	no significant risk levels
NUFA	National Uniformity for Food Act
NW	Net Wt or Net Weight
OAI	Official Action Indicated
OCI	Office of Criminal Investigations (FDA)
OCL	Office of Consumer Litigation (DOJ)
ODS	Office of Dietary Supplements (NIH)
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OFAS	Office of Food Additive Safety (CFSAN)
OFPA	Organic Foods Production Act of 1990
OIG	Office of the Inspector General (HHS)

OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OOP	Order of Predominance in the IS
OPA	Office of Premarket Approval
OSHA	Occupational Safety Hazard Administration
OTC	over-the-counter
OTFP	other than a food processing facility
OWG	Obesity Working Group
PBDE	polybrominated diphenyl ethers
PBIS	Performance-Based Inspection System
PCBs	polychlorinated biphenyls
PDP	principal display panel
PDO	protected designation of origin
PFDA	Pure Food and Drug Act of 1906
PFGE	Pulse Field Gel Electrophoresis
PFOA	perfluorooctanoic acid
PHS	Public Health Service (HHS)
PIPs	Plant-Incorporated Protectants
PKU	phenylketonuria
PLAS	Prior Label Approval System (FSIS)
PMN	premarket notification
PMO	Pasteurized Milk Ordinance
PMPs	plant-made pharmaceuticals
PN	Prior Notice
POS	point-of-sale
PPCS	production, process and control system
PPIA	Poultry Products Inspection Act of 1957 (USDA)
PPIIA	Process Production Inspection Improvement Act
PPPA	Poison Prevention Packaging Act of 1970 (CPSC)
Prop 65	Proposition 65, California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxics Enforcement Act of 1986
PUFI	packed under federal inspection
QCPS	Quality Control Programs
QMS	Quality Management System
QTV	Qualified Through Verification (USDA)
RACs	raw agricultural commodities
RACC	reference amounts customarily consumed
RDI	reference daily intake
rDNA	recombinant deoxyribonucleic
<i>Redbook</i>	FDA guidelines for development of safety tests
<i>Redbook II</i>	the toxicological principles for the safety assessment of direct food additives and color additives used in food
ReGo	reinventing government
RFR	Reportable Food Registry

RHS	USDA Rural Housing Service
RMA	USDA Risk Management Agency
RTE	ready-to-eat
RUS	Rural Utilities Service
SAE	serious adverse event
SAER	Safety Analysis and Evaluation Report
SAHCODHA	serious adverse health consequences or death to humans or animals
SAP	Scientific Advisory Panel
S/C,SC or S	Per Servings per Container
SCOGS	Select Committee on GRAS Substances
SDWA	Safe Drinking Water Act (EPA)
SE	<i>Salmonella enteritidis</i>
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
SFTA	Sanitary Food Transportation Act of 2005
SIS	Streamlined Inspection System (USDA)
SL	Signature (Address) Line
SOPs	standard operating procedures
SPS	sanitary and phytosanitary agreement
SRMs	specified risk materials
SS or S/S	Serving Size
SSOPs	sanitation standard operating procedures
STOP	Safe Tables Our Priority
TAAA	Trade Adjustment Assistance Act of 2002
TBT	technical barriers to trade agreement
TOR	threshold of regulation
TPA	trade promotion authority T/PT traceability/product tracing
TRAC	Tolerance Reassessment Advisory Committee (EPA)
TRIA	Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002
TRO	Temporary Restraining Order
TSOPs	temperature standard operating procedures
TTB	Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (U.S. Department of Treasury; formerly known as the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF))
TTI	time-temperature indicators
TRO	Temporary Restraining Order
USCS	United States Code
USCS	United States Customs Services
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USP	United States Pharmacopoeia
USTR	United States Trade Representative
VCOOL	voluntary country-of-origin labeling
VCRP	Voluntary Cosmetic Registration Program
VMOs	Veterinary Medical Officers (USDA)

WHO	World Health Organization
WIC	USDA Women, Infants and Children
WOM	word of mouth
WONF	with other natural flavors
WTO	World Trade Organization