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CHAPTER 80-3-19
COMPOSITION OF MEAT PRODUCTS

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80-3-19-.01 **Composition Of Ground Beef.** Ground beef or chopped beef shall consist of chopped, fresh and/or frozen beef, with or without seasoning and without the addition of beef fat as such, nor beef hearts or tongues. It shall not contain more than 30% fat and shall not contain added water, phosphates, binders or extenders. When beef cheek meat (trimmed beef cheeks) is used in the preparation of ground or chopped beef, it shall be limited to 25%; and if in excess of natural proportions, its presence shall be declared on the label, in the ingredient statement required, if any, and otherwise contiguous to the name of the product.

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80-3-19-.02 **Composition of Hamburger.** Hamburger shall consist of chopped fresh and/or frozen beef. Beef fat and/or seasoning may be added, but hamburger may not contain more than 30% fat from all sources and shall not contain added water, phosphates, binders or extenders. Hamburger shall not contain beef hearts or tongues. Beef cheek meat (trimmed beef cheeks) may only be added in accordance with the conditions set out in Rule 80-3-19-.01.

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