



## Agreement on "Cooperation in Purchasing Lids/Cans for Canned Tuna and Wet Pet Food"

The private sector, represented by the Thai Tuna Industry Association, the Thai Pet Food Trade Association, and the Thai Metal Packaging Association, has jointly committed to establishing guidelines for the purchase of lids and cans for the tuna industry and wet pet food industry. The objective is to ensure the quality of packaging in part of food safety, and traceability throughout the supply chain, in accordance with international standards, to ensure consumer safety.

It is important to note that cans and lids are the primary packaging which play a crucial role in maintaining the quality and food safety of canned tuna and pet food in sealed containers. Therefore, the production and/or importation of these products must prioritize quality, standards, and food safety.

According to the resolution of the Thai Tuna Industry Association, the Thai Pet Food Trade Association, and the Thai Metal Packaging Association, the following agreement has been made:

**1. Metal Cans:** These consist of the can body and the lid, which may be made from the same or different metals, such as tinplate, chromium-coated tin-free steel, or aluminum. The materials used for the can/lid and the internal coating (lacquer) must comply with international standards and/or the food contact material regulations of the destination country (in the case of exports). These materials must be suitable for packaging meat, seafood, and other products that have been heat-treated to ensure sterilization.

**2. Quality of Cans and Lids:** Cans and lids produced domestically or imported as ready-to-sell products or assembled domestically, and sold to members of the Thai Tuna Industry Association and the Thai Pet Food Trade Association, must be traceable and meet the quality standards set forth in accordance with both international standards and Thailand's food safety regulations, and/or those of the trading partner countries. The relevant standards include:

**2.1 International Standards:** Packaging standards accepted by the Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI), such as BRCGS Brand Reputation through Compliance Global Standards, Food Safety System Certification (FSSC) 22000, Safe Quality Food (SQF), International Featured Standards (IFS), or equivalent standards.

**2.2 Industrial Product Standards (Thai Industrial Standards):** Voluntary standards including:

- **TIS 90-2563:** Metal cans for food packaging

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- **TIS 465, Vol. 1-2554:** Sampling methods for quality checks, Part 1 (AQL acceptance quality limits for ongoing checks)

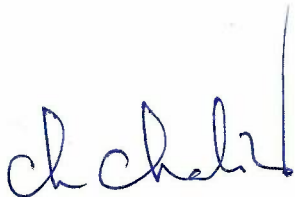
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- **TIS 735-2550:** Lacquers for food containers

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**3. Responsibility for Non-compliant Packaging:** If any packaging is found to have quality or safety issues that do not meet the agreed-upon standards, either before or after being used for food packaging, the importer and/or manufacturer must be responsible for all costs arising from these defects. This includes product recalls, compensation for damages, proper disposal of substandard products, and implementing corrective measures to prevent recurrence. The importer and/or manufacturer must provide relevant documentation to support the investigation and strictly adhere to food safety standards in Thailand and the trading partner countries.

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