NHSGGC FOOD RETAIL SPECIFICATION (SHOPS)

Compliance Criteria:

- Scottish Grocers Federation's Healthy Living Programme Gold Standard (SGF) http://www.scottishshop.org.uk/sgfhlp
- NHSGGC Retail Specification

Policy Outcome:

- All retail outlets and shops will provide a range of healthy options* as core retail items in line with SGF/HLA standards
- All retail outlets and shops will clearly promote healthy options* through use of NHS branded promotional logos, signage etc. in line with SGF/HLA standards
- All retail outlets and shops will only promote healthy options* at point of sale
- All retail outlets and shops will provide 70% compliance with sugar free drinks or a limited range of sugar based drinks
- All commercial advertising (such as that located on vending machines, shop fronts etc) on NHS premises will exclude products high in sugar and/or fat

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Product range	The product range should include offers sensitive to religious dietary requirements.
Sundries	Comply with HLA criteria
Drinks	 A minimum of 70% of soft drinks (by both retail volume and product) must be sugar-free (less than 0.5 grams of sugar per 100ml). Soft drinks include flavoured waters.
Snacks(e.g. confectionary & crisps)	At least 50% of items available must meet the 'low/medium' nutrient specifications as outlined in the HLA award.
Fruit and veg	Ensure a range of fruit and vegetables are available at all times
Chilled/fresh foods (cheese, spreads, milk, desserts)	50% to comply with HLA criteria
Composite chilled (inc. sandwiches, ready meals)	50% comply with HLA criteria
Non perishable foods	Options include 'healthy staples' for cooking/preparation as well as 'healthier options' e.g. pasta, rice, tinned vegetables, tinned soups, breakfast cereals, reduced sugar jam, low-fat pasta sauce
Perishable foods	Presenting a range of goods reflecting low salt, fat and sugar including wholemeal products. e.g. bread and bakery products
Nutritional composition and content	Ensure lower fat, sugar and salt alternatives are offered and in line with nutritional specifications in the HLA.
Promotion	 Where possible utilise existing 'healthy eating' branding for product ranges / develop new NHSGGC branding. Options meeting criteria must be prominently positioned and where possible with dedicated retail space. Avoiding the promotion of less-healthy items, particularly at the point of sale Ensure healthy items are priced competitively with other products.