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# SALE OF FOOD ACT (CHAPTER 283)

## FOOD (AMENDMENT NO. 3) REGULATIONS 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 56(1) of the Sale of Food Act, the Minister for Sustainability and the Environment makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations are the Food (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2020 and come into operation on 31 August 2020.

## Amendment of regulation 18

- **2.** Regulation 18 of the Food Regulations (Rg 1) is amended by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:
  - "(1) In these Regulations —

"steviol glycosides" means any of the following:

- (a) steviol glycosides from *Stevia rebaudiana* Bertoni;
- (b) Rebaudioside A from multiple gene donors expressed in *Yarrowia lipolytica*;
- (c) Rebaudioside M produced by enzymatic modification of Rebaudioside A extracted from Stevia leaf, using the enzymes UDP-glucosyltransferase (EC 2.4.1.17) and sucrose synthase (EC 2.4.1.13), produced by genetically modified strains of *Escherichia coli* K-12 W311;
- (d) Rebaudioside M produced by enzymatic conversion of purified Stevia leaf extract, using the enzymes UDP-glucosyltransferase

(EC 2.4.1.17) and sucrose synthase (EC 2.4.1.13), produced by genetically modified strains of *Pichia pastoris*;

"sweetening agent" means a substance added to food in place of sugar to provide a sweet taste, but does not include aspartame, any sugar, carbohydrate or polyhydric alcohols.".

# Amendment of regulation 28

- **3.** Regulation 28 of the Food Regulations is amended
  - (a) by inserting, immediately after the words "Eighth Schedule" in paragraph (2), the words "or permitted for use under this regulation"; and
  - (b) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (6), the following paragraph:
    - "(7) Soy leghemoglobin derived from genetically modified *Pichia pastoris* may be used in meat analogues, at a level not exceeding 0.45% (w/w).".

# Deletion and substitution of regulation 116

**4.** Regulation 116 of the Food Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

#### "Butter

- 116.—(1) Butter is a fatty product that is derived exclusively from milk, products obtained from milk, or both, and is principally in the form of an emulsion of the type water-in-oil.
  - (2) Butter must contain
    - (a) not less than 80% (w/w) milk fat;
    - (b) not more than 16% (w/w) water; and
    - (c) not more than 2% non-fat milk solids.
- (3) Butter may not contain any added substance except
  - (a) harmless vegetable colouring matter;

- (b) salt;
- (c) starter cultures of harmless lactic acid producing bacteria, flavour producing bacteria, or both;
- (d) water; or
- (e) any substance expressly permitted in butter under these Regulations.".

# Amendment of regulation 204

**5.** Regulation 204 of the Food Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (2).

## **Amendment of Third Schedule**

- **6.** The Third Schedule to the Food Regulations is amended
  - (a) by deleting the words "(estimated by weight)" in the heading of column 3 of the table in paragraph 1;
  - (b) by deleting the entries under columns 2 and 3 corresponding to item (a) of the table in paragraph 1 and substituting the following entries in the appropriate columns as shown:

Column 2	Column 3
"Propyl gallate or Octyl gallate or Dodecyl gallate or any mixture thereof	100
or	
Butylated hydroxyanisole (B.H.A.)	200
or	
Butylated hydroxytoluene (B.H.T.)	200
or	
Tertiary butylhydroquinone (TBHQ)	200
or	
Ascorbyl palmitate	200

Isopropyl citrate mixture (including monoisopropyl citrate)	100
or	
Any mixture of B.H.A. and B.H.T.	200";

(c) by deleting the entries under columns 2 and 3 corresponding to item (g) of the table in paragraph 1 and substituting the following entries in the appropriate columns as shown:

Column 2	Column 3		
"Butylated hydroxyanisole (B.H.A.)	200		
or			
Propyl gallate	200"; and		

- (d) by inserting, immediately after paragraph 2, the following paragraph:
  - "3. The articles of food specified in column 1 of the following table may have in them or on them rosemary extract in amounts not exceeding the number of parts per million specified in column 2:

Column 1	Column 2
Specified Food	Parts per million (expressed as sum of carnosol and carnosic acid)
(a) Dehydrated meat	150
(b) Dried sausages	100
(c) Edible vegetable oils and fats, excluding olive oil	50
(d) Fish oil and algal oil	50
(e) Lard, beef fat, poultry fat, sheep fat and porcine fat	50

(f) Processed meat other than dried sausages:

> (i) with a fat content of 10% or less

15 (on a fat or oil basis)

(ii) with a fat content of more than 10%

150 (on a fat or oil basis)

(g) Processed nuts, including coated nuts and nut mixtures

200 (on a fat or oil basis)

(h) Sauces, gravies and dressings, and their mixes

100 (on a fat or oil basis)

(i) Snacks—potato, cereal, flour or starch based (from roots and tubers, pulses and legumes)

50 (on a fat or oil basis)

(j) Vegetable, nut and seed spreads

200 (on a fat or oil basis)".

#### Amendment of Part I of Fourth Schedule

7. Part I of the Fourth Schedule to the Food Regulations is amended by deleting the item "Decorations, icings and frostings" and its corresponding entries and substituting the following item and its corresponding entries in the appropriate columns as shown:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	
"Decorations (icings and frostings), non-fruit fillings and toppings, and sweet sauces		1,500		1,000			,,

## Amendment of Part II of Fifth Schedule

**8.** Paragraph 2 of Part II of the Fifth Schedule to the Food Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after the word "lutein," in sub-paragraph (b), the words "lutein esters from *Tagetes erecta*,".

#### Amendment of Part II of Seventh Schedule

**9.** Item 2 of Part II of the Seventh Schedule to the Food Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately below the entry "Ferrous ammonium phosphate", the entry "Ferrous bisglycinate".

## **Amendment of Eighth Schedule**

- **10.** The Eighth Schedule to the Food Regulations is amended
  - (a) by deleting the item "Hydrogenated glucose syrup (maltitol and maltitol-based products);" in Part 1;
  - (b) by inserting, immediately below the item "Malic acid;" in Part 1, the following items:

"Maltitol;

Maltitol syrup (hydrogenated glucose syrup);";

(c) by inserting, immediately below the item "Sorbitol;" in Part 1, the following item:

"Sorbitol syrup;"; and

(d) by inserting, immediately below the item "Alpha-acetolactate decarboxylase" under heading (C) of Part 2, the following item and its corresponding entries in the appropriate columns as shown:

Enzyme	EC Number	Production organism	Donor organism	Donor gene
"Alpha, alpha-trehalase	3.2.1.28	Trichoderma longibrachiatum <sup>3</sup>	Trichoderma longibrachiatum <sup>3</sup>	Alpha, alpha-trehalase".

## Amendment of Thirteenth Schedule

- 11. The Thirteenth Schedule to the Food Regulations is amended
  - (a) by deleting the item "Confectionery (including hard and soft candy, nougats and marzipans)" and its corresponding entries; and
  - (b) by inserting, immediately below the item "Decorations, toppings (non-fruit) and sweet sauces", the following items and their corresponding entries in the appropriate columns as shown:

	1	2	3	4	5	6
"Hard candy	500 (except for microsweets and breath-freshening mints, where up to 2500 ppm is permitted)					1800 (except for microsweets and breath-freshening mints, where up to 30000 ppm is permitted)
Nougats and marzipans	1000					1800
Soft candy	1000 (except for microsweets and breath-freshening mints, where up to 2000 ppm is permitted)					1800 (except for microsweets and breath-freshening mints, where up to 30000 ppm is permitted)".

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