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THE FOOD ADDITIVES NOTICE 1971

PURSUANT to section 46 (3) of the Food and Drug Act 1969, the Minister of Health hereby gives the following notice.

NOTICE

1. Title—This notice may be cited as the Food Additives Notice 1971.

2. Limits and additives varied—The Minister of Health hereby varies, for the period of 12 months beginning on the date of the notification of this notice in the *Gazette*, the quantities or proportions of specified things that may be contained in food, and, for the like period, permits the addition of specified things in specified proportions to food, to the extent that the provisions of the Schedules hereto are inconsistent with the provisions of the Food and Drug Regulations 1946*—

(a) In relation to the foods specified in the first column of the First Schedule hereto, by:

(i) Substituting the proportions comprising arsenic and lead specified respectively in the second and third columns of that Schedule for the proportions comprising arsenic and lead specified in relation to the same foods in regulation 37 of the said regulations:

(ii) Adding, in relation to foods specified in the said regulation 37, the proportions comprising copper and zinc specified respectively in the fourth and fifth columns of that Schedule:

(iii) Enabling arsenic, lead, copper, and zinc to be contained in foods not specified in the said regulation 37 in the proportions specified respectively in the second, third, fourth, and fifth columns of that Schedule:

b) In relation to the foods specified in the second column of the Second Schedule hereto, by:

(i) Substituting the proportions specified respectively in the third column of that Schedule comprising residues of pesticides specified respectively in the first column of that Schedule for the proportions comprising those residues specified in subclause (3) of regulation 49B of the said regulations:

(ii) Adding the proportions specified respectively in the said third column comprising residues of pesticides specified respectively in the said first column but not specified in the said subclause (3):

*S.R. 1946/136 (Reprinted with Amendments Nos. 1 to 13: S.R. 1963/109)
Amendment No. 14: S.R. 1965/67
Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1968/138

- (iii) Allowing the proportions specified respectively in the said third column comprising residues of pesticides specified respectively in the said first column to be contained in foods not specified in the said subclause (3):
- (c) By allowing the chemical contaminants specified in the first column of the Third Schedule hereto to be contained in foods of the kinds specified respectively in the second column of that Schedule in the proportions specified respectively in the third column of that Schedule:
- (d) By allowing the additives specified in the second column of the Fourth Schedule hereto to be added to vegetables and fruit of the kinds specified respectively in the first column of that Schedule in the proportions specified respectively in the third column of that Schedule.

SCHEDULES

Cl. 2 (a)

FIRST SCHEDULE

Food	Permissible Amount (Parts per million by weight)			
	Arsenic	Lead	Copper	Zinc
All beverages	0.2	0.2	2	5
All processed foods and foods in cans or metal foil, other than beverages, fruit, fruit products, and non-fermented syrups	2	4	30	40
Baking powder, cream of tartar, and aerating ingredients	2	10	30	40
Fruit and fruit products, other than beverages and non-fermented syrups	1	2.5	50	40
Gelatin	2.5	7	30	100
Non-fermented syrups	1	1	10	25
Tea	1	10	150	40
Vegetables	1	2.5	50	40
Yeast products (on dry basis)	2	7	60	40

Cl. 2 (b)

SECOND SCHEDULE

Pesticide	Food	Permissible Amount (Parts per million by weight)
Azinphos-methyl or Azinphos-ethyl ..	Fruit	2
Benomyl	Fruit	5
	Vegetables	2
	Cereals	1
Captan	Fruit and vegetables	40
Carbaryl	Fruit and vegetables	10
Chlorobenzilate	Fruit and vegetables	5
Chlorphenamidine	Fruit	1
DDD	Fruit and vegetables	2
DDT	Fruit and vegetables	2
DDT	Meat fat, in any food	2
DDT	Milk fat, in any food	1.25
Diazinon	Any food	0.75
Dicofol	Fruit and vegetables	3
Dieldrin and aldrin singly or in combination	Meat fat, in any food	0.2
	Milk fat, in any food	0.125
	Any other food	0.1
Dinocap	Fruit and vegetables	7
Demeton-S-methyl or oxydemeton methyl	Any food	0.4
Dichlofuanid	Fruit	5
Dimas	Apples	30
Dimethoate or omethoate	Any food	0.5
Dioxathion	Fruit	4
Endosulfan	Fruit and vegetables	2
Fenazaflor	Fruit	1
Fenitrothion	Any food	0.1
Fensulfothion	Any food	0.1
Ferbam	Fruit	7
Formetanate	Fruit	0.5
Formothion	Any food	1
Glyodin	Fruit and vegetables	5
Heptachlor	Milk fat, in any food	0.1
Lindane	Fruit and vegetables	2
Lindane	Meat fat, in any food	2
Malathion	Fruit and vegetables	8
Mancozeb	Fruit and vegetables	7
Mercury	Fruit and vegetables	0.03
	Fish and fish products	0.5
Methomyl	Any food	0.2
Methyl bromide and ethylene dibromide (singly or in combination, as total bromide)	Any food	50
Mevinphos	Any food	0.25
Nicotine	Fruit and vegetables	2
Parathion or parathion methyl	Fruit and vegetables	0.5
Phosphamidon	Any food	0.5
Phosphine	Cereals	0.1
Pyridinitril	Fruit	2
Schradan	Any food	0.1
Thiram	Fruit and vegetables	7
Tetradifon	Fruit and vegetables	5
Trichlorfon	Any food	0.1
Tricyclohexyltin hydroxide	Fruit	3
Zineb or maneb	Fruit and vegetables	7

Cl. 2 (c)

THIRD SCHEDULE

Chemical Contaminant	Food	Permissible Amount (Parts per million by weight)
Benomyl	Citrus fruit and bananas	5
Dichlorvos	Fruit, vegetables, and cereals	2
Diphenyl	Citrus fruit	110
Diphenylamine	Apples	10
Ethoxyquin	Apples and pears	3
O-phenyl phenol, or sodium phenyl phenate	Citrus fruit	10
Salicylanilide	Bananas	2
Thiabendazole	Citrus fruit and bananas	3

Cl. 2 (d)

FOURTH SCHEDULE

Food	Additive	Permissible Amount (Parts per million by weight)
Citrus fruit	Bland wax coating of mineral or vegetable origin	3,000
	2, 4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid and its isopropyl ester	5
Onions	Maleic hydrazide	15
Potatoes	Bland wax coating of mineral or vegetable origin	3,000
	Chlorpropham	50
	Propham	50

Dated this 16th day of February 1971.

D. N. McKAY, Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This notice is of a temporary but important nature. It varies, for a period of 12 months, certain of the requirements of the Food and Drug Regulations 1946 with regard to the quantities or proportions of specified things that may be contained in food and with regard to the addition of specified things in specified proportions to food.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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This notice is administered in the Department of Health.