



THE FOOD ADDITIVES NOTICE 1984

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 1984.

2. Duration of notice—This notice shall have effect for the period of 12 months commencing with the day after the date of the notification of this notice in the *Gazette*.

3. Permitted substances in certain foods—Notwithstanding anything in the Food and Drug Regulations 1973*, the food specified in the second column of the First Schedule to this notice may have added to it not more than the quantity specified in the third column of that Schedule of the substance specified in the first column of that Schedule in relation to that food.

4. Permitted substances in foods for which standards are prescribed—(1) Notwithstanding anything in the Food and Drug Regulations 1973*, butter and polyunsaturated margarine may contain nitrogen.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in regulation 19 of the Food and Drug Regulations 1973* (as substituted by regulation 6 of the Food and Drug Regulations 1973, Amendment No. 4†), artificial sweeteners may contain microcrystalline cellulose and silicon dioxide.

5. Permitted incidental constituents—Notwithstanding anything in regulation 24 (2) of the Food and Drug Regulations 1973 (as substituted by regulation 17 (1) of the Food and Drug Regulations 1973, Amendment No. 7‡), any food specified in the second column of the Second Schedule to this notice may contain not more than the quantity specified in the third column of that Schedule of residue of the pesticide specified in the first column of that Schedule in relation to that food.

6. Revocation—The Food Additives Notice 1983§ is hereby revoked.

*S.R. 1973/79
 †S.R. 1979/207
 ‡S.R. 1983/29
 §S.R. 1983/74

SCHEDULES

Clause 3

FIRST SCHEDULE

PERMITTED ADDITIVES TO FOOD

Compound	Food	Permissible Proportion
Dimethyl dicarbonate	Wine	200 mg per litre
Sulphur dioxide (or sulphites calculated as sulphur dioxide)	Candied fruit	400 mg per kilogram
Benzoic acid (or sodium benzoate calculated as benzoic acid)	Candied fruit	500 mg per kilogram
Sorbic acid (or its sodium, calcium, or potassium salts calculated as sorbic acid)	Candied fruit	300 mg per kilogram

Clause 5

SECOND SCHEDULE

PROPORTION OF PESTICIDES IN FOOD

Pesticide	Food	Permissible Proportion (Part per million by weight)
Bitertanol	Pome fruit	1
Chlorpyrifos	Bananas	2

Dated at Wellington this 3rd day of May 1984.

A. G. MALCOLM,
Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The notice extends for a further 12 months the authority conferred by the Food Additives Notice 1983 to add dimethyl dicarbonate to wine, nitrogen to butter and polyunsaturated margarine, microcrystalline cellulose and silicon dioxide to artificial sweeteners, and preservatives to candied fruit.

It also extends for a further 12 months maximum permitted residue levels for some pesticides in relation to certain foods.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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This notice is administered in the Department of Health.