

Food Standards (Proposal P1025 – Code Revision) Variation

The Board of Food Standards Australia New Zealand gives notice of the making of this standard under section 92 of the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991*. The Standard commences on 1 March 2016.

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Note:

This Standard will be published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. FSC 96 on 10 April 2015.

Schedule 14

Technological purposes performed by substances used as food additives

Note 1 This instrument is a standard under the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991* (Cth). The standards together make up the *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code*. See also section 1.1.1—3.

Substances used as food additives and substances used as processing aids are regulated by Standard 1.1.1, Standard 1.3.1 and Standard 1.3.3. This Standard lists technological purposes for paragraph 1.1.2—11(1)(b) (definition of **used as a food additive**) and paragraph 1.1.2—13(1)(c) and subparagraph 1.1.2—13(2)(a)(iii) (definition of **used as a processing aid**).

Note 2 The provisions of the Code that apply in New Zealand are incorporated in, or adopted under, the *Food Act 2014* (NZ). See also section 1.1.1—3.

S14—1 Name

This Standard is *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code – Schedule 14 – Technological purposes performed by substances used as food additives*.

Note Commencement:
This Standard commences on 1 March 2016, being the date specified as the commencement date in notices in the *Gazette* and the New Zealand Gazette under section 92 of the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991* (Cth). See also section 93 of that Act.

S14—2 Technological purposes

The technological purposes performed by substances used as food additives are set out in the table.

Technological purposes

<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Sub-classes</i>	<i>Definition</i>
Acidity regulator	acid, alkali, base, buffer, buffering agent, pH adjusting agent	alters or controls the acidity or alkalinity of a food
Anti-caking agent	anti-caking agent, anti-stick agent, drying agent, dusting powder	reduces the tendency of individual food particles to adhere or improves flow characteristics
Antioxidant	antioxidant, antioxidant synergist	retards or prevents the oxidative deterioration of a food
Bulking agent	bulking agent, filler	contributes to the volume of a food without contributing significantly to its available energy
Colouring		adds or restores colour to foods
Colour fixative	colour fixative, colour stabiliser	stabilises, retains or intensifies an existing colour of a food
Emulsifier	emulsifier, emulsifying salt, plasticiser, dispersing agent, surface active agent, surfactant, wetting agent	facilitates the formation or maintenance of an emulsion between two or more immiscible phases
Firming agent		contributes to firmness of food or interact with gelling agents to produce or strengthen a gel
Flavour enhancer	flavour enhancer, flavour modifier, tenderiser	enhances the existing taste or odour of a food
Flavouring (excluding herbs and spices and intense sweeteners)		intense preparations which are added to foods to impart taste or odour, which are used in small amounts and are not intended to be consumed alone, but do not include herbs, spices and substances which have an exclusively sweet, sour or salt taste

<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Sub-classes</i>	<i>Definition</i>
Foaming agent	whipping agent, aerating agent	facilitates the formation of a homogeneous dispersion of a gaseous phase in a liquid or solid food
Gelling agent		modifies food texture through gel formation
Glazing agent	coating, sealing agent, polish	imparts a coating to the external surface of a food
Humectant	moisture/water retention agent, wetting agent	retards moisture loss from food or promotes the dissolution of a solid in an aqueous medium
Intense sweetener		replaces the sweetness normally provided by sugars in foods without contributing significantly to their available energy
Preservative	anti-microbial preservative, anti-mycotic agent, bacteriophage control agent, chemosterilant, disinfection agent	retards or prevents the deterioration of a food by micro organisms
Propellant		gas, other than air, which expels a food from a container
Raising agent		liberates gas and thereby increase the volume of a food
Sequestrant		forms chemical complexes with metallic ions
Stabiliser	binder, firming agent, water binding agent, foam stabiliser	maintains the homogeneous dispersion of two or more immiscible substances in a food
Thickener	thickening agent, texturiser, bodying agent	increases the viscosity of a food