

**Food Standards (Application A1108 – Rebaudioside M as a Steviol Glycoside Intense Sweetener) Variation**

The Board of Food Standards Australia New Zealand gives notice of the making of this variation under section 92 of the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991*. The Standard commences on the date specified in clause 3 of this variation.

Dated 8 January 2016



Standards Management Officer

Delegate of the Board of Food Standards Australia New Zealand

**Note:**

This variation will be published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. FSC 102 on 14 January 2016.

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Food Standards (Application A1108 – Rebaudioside M as a Steviol Glycoside Intense Sweetener) Variation*.

2 Variation to Standards in the *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code*

The Schedule varies Standards in the *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code*.

3 Commencement

The variation commences on 1 March 2016 immediately after the commencement of Standard 5.1.1 – Revocation and transitional provisions – 2014 Revision.

Schedule

**[1]** **Standard 1.3.1** is varied by omitting paragraphs (g) to (j) of the definition of ***CF*** in subsection 1.3.1—4(7), and substituting

“ (g) rebaudioside M—0.25;

 (h) rubusoside—0.50;

 (i) steviolbioside—0.50;

 (j) stevioside—0.40.”

**[2]** **Schedule 3** is varied by

[2.1] inserting in the table to subsection S3—2(2) in alphabetical order

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| rebaudioside M | section S3—31 |

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| steviol glycoside mixtures including rebaudioside M | section S3—32 |

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[2.2] inserting after section S3—30

“S3—31 Specification for rebaudioside M

 (1) In this section:

***rebaudioside M*** means the chemical with the Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number 1220616-44-3 and the formula C56H90O33.

 (2) For rebaudioside M, the specifications are the following:

 (a) assay—comprise not less than 95% on the dried basis;

 (b) Chemical name—Rebaudioside M: 13-[(2-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-3-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl)oxy]kaur-16-en-18-oic acid, 2-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-3-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl ester;

 (c) Formula weight—1,291.3.

 (3) Subject to subsection (2), rebaudioside M must comply with one of the specifications that relate to steviol glycosides and that is listed in a primary source named in paragraph S3—2(1)(b), S3—2(1)(c) or S3—2(1)(d).

S3—32 Specification for steviol glycoside mixture including rebaudioside M

 (1) In this section:

***prescribed steviol glycosides*** are:

 (a) dulcoside A;

 (b) rebaudioside A;

 (c) rebaudioside B;

 (d) rebaudioside C;

 (e) rebaudioside D;

 (f) rebaudioside F;

 (g) rubusoside;

 (h) steviolbioside; and

 (i) stevioside.

 (2) This specification relates to a mixture that contains rebaudioside M and one or more prescribed steviol glycosides.

 (3) The rebaudioside M and the prescribed steviol glycoside or glycosides must together comprise not less than 95% of the mixture on the dried basis.

 (4) Subject to subsection (3), the mixture must also comply with one of the specifications that relate to prescribed steviol glycosides and that is listed in a primary source named in paragraph S3—2(1)(b), S3—2(1)(c) or S3—2(1)(d).”