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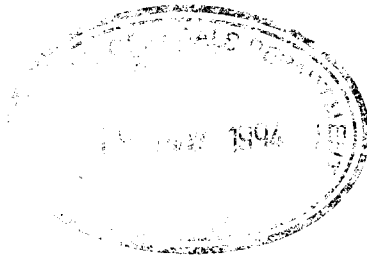
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NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY
VARIATIONS TO THE FOOD STANDARDS CODE
(AMENDMENT No. 20)

1. Preamble

The variations set forth in the Schedule below are variations to the Food Standards Code (hereinafter called 'the Code') which was published by the National Health and Medical Research Council in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette*, No. P 27, on 27 August 1987, and which has been varied from time to time.

The Schedule contains variations adopted by the National Food Standards Council in March and April 1994.

These variations are published pursuant to section 32 of the *National Food Authority Act* 1991.

2. Citation

These variations may be collectively known as '*Amendment No. 20*' to the Code.

3. Commencement

These variations commence on the date of publication of this Gazette with the exception of items [2.], [3.], [4.] and [6.] which will commence on 25 September 1994.

SCHEDULE

[1.] **Standard A14** is varied by -

[1.1] inserting in Schedule 1, in relation to the entry in Column 1 for "Cyanamide", entries in Columns 2 and 3 respectively for -

- (i) "0.1 kiwifruit"; and
- (ii) "0.1 pear, oriental (Nashi)";

[1.2] omitting from Schedule 1, in relation to the entry in Column 1 for "Fenoxaprop-thyl", entries in Columns 2 and 3 respectively for -

- (i) "0.05 cattle meat"; and
- (ii) "0.05 cattle milk";

[1.3] inserting in Schedule 1, in relation to the entry in Column 1 for "Fenoxaprop-thyl", entries in Columns 2 and 3 respectively for -

- (i) "0.02 eggs";
- (ii) "0.05 meat (mammalian)";
- (iii) "0.02 milks";
- (iv) "0.1 poultry, edible offal of"; and
- (v) "0.01 poultry meat";

[1.4] inserting in Schedule 1, in relation to the entry in Column 1 for "Flusilazole", an entry in Columns 2 and 3 respectively for -

- "0.05 stone fruits";

[1.5] inserting in Schedule 1, in relation to the entry in Column 1 for "Fluvalinate", an entry in Columns 2 and 3 respectively for -

- "0.1 nectarine";

[1.6] inserting in Schedule 1, in relation to the entry in Column 1 for "Imazethapyr", entries in Columns 2 and 3 respectively for -

- (i) "0.1 eggs";
- (ii) "0.1 goat, edible offal of";
- (iii) "0.1 goat meat";
- (iv) "0.1 goat milk";
- (v) "0.1 poultry, edible offal of"; and
- (vi) "0.1 poultry meat"; and

[1.7] inserting in Schedule 1, in relation to the entry in Column 1 for "Thifensulfuron", entries in Columns 2 and 3 respectively for -

- (i) "0.01 edible offal (mammalian)";
- (ii) "0.01 eggs";
- (iii) "0.01 meat (mammalian)";
- (iv) "0.01 milks";
- (v) "0.01 poultry, edible offal of"; and
- (vi) "0.01 poultry meat".

[2.] **Standard C1** is varied by -

[2.1] omitting from paragraph (10)(g)(ii) "subparagraph (ii) of clause (16)(c) and by clause (16)(d)" and substituting "subclauses (16)(c), (16)(d) and (16)(g)";

[2.2] inserting after subparagraph (10)(g)(ii)(B) -

"(C) be free from *Listeria monocytogenes* in 25 g of the food when examined by the method prescribed by subclause (16)(g) of this Standard.";

[2.3] inserting after subclause (16)(f) -

"(g) ***Listeria monocytogenes***. Proceed in accordance with the USDA FSIS method for the isolation and identification of *Listeria monocytogenes* from processed meat and poultry products, save that for the purpose of this method, when 5 sample units each consisting of 100 g or more of meat paste or spread including pâté are examined as detailed the result shall be reported as '*Listeria monocytogenes* not detected in 25 g of the food' only when no *Listeria monocytogenes* has been detected in 5 g of each of the 5 sample units. For the purposes of this method, the sample units may be examined individually or pooled.

Samples taken for the purposes of this method shall be of the packed product taken at the processing factory or at the wholesale level. Retail samples shall not be used for this purpose."

[3.] **Standard D1** is varied by -

[3.1] inserting after subclause (4)(c) -

"(d) Smoked fish products which may be eaten without further cooking shall be free from *Listeria monocytogenes* in 25 g of the food when examined by the method prescribed by subclause (11)(c) of this Standard.

(e) Marinated smoked mussels, whether cooked or uncooked, shall be free from *Listeria monocytogenes* in 25 g of the food when examined by the method prescribed by subclause (11)(c) of this Standard.";

[3.2] omitting the words "scallops and cooked crustacean flesh other than frozen pre-cooked crustacean flesh" from clause (11) and substituting "scallops, cooked crustacean flesh other than frozen pre-cooked crustacean flesh and smoked fish products specified in subclauses (4)(d) and (4)(e) of this Standard"; and

[3.3] inserting after subclause (11)(b) -

"(c) Smoked fish products specified in subclauses (4)(d) and (4)(e) -

Listeria monocytogenes. Proceed in accordance with the USDA FSIS method for the isolation and identification of *Listeria monocytogenes* from processed meat and poultry products, save that for the purpose of this method, when 5 sample units each consisting of 100 g or more of smoked fish products are examined as detailed, the result shall be reported as '*Listeria monocytogenes* not detected in 25 g of the food' only when no *Listeria monocytogenes* has been detected in 5 g of each of the 5 sample units. For the purposes of this method, the sample units may be examined individually or pooled.

Samples taken for the purposes of this method shall be of the packed product taken at the processing factory or at the wholesale level. Retail samples shall not be used for this purpose."

[4.] **Standard H9** is varied by -

[4.1] omitting "." from paragraph (1)(f)(ii) and substituting ";";

[4.2] inserting after paragraph (1)(f)(ii) -

"(iii) be free from *Listeria monocytogenes* in 25 g of the food when examined by the method prescribed by clause (22) of this Standard.";

[4.3] omitting subclause (1)(h) and substituting -

"(h) **Microbiological standards.** When examined by the methods prescribed by clause (22) of this Standard -

(i) a cheese or cheese product which has -

- (A) a moisture content equal to or greater than 40%; and
- (B) a pH equal to or greater than 5.0;

must be free from *Listeria monocytogenes* in 25 g of the food;

(ii) Cheddar cheese and Gouda cheese must be free from -

- (A) *Escherichia coli* in 0.01 g of the cheese;
- (B) coagulase-positive staphylococci in 0.1 g of the cheese.";

[4.4] omitting from clause (22) "Cheddar cheese and Gouda cheese" first occurring and substituting "cheese and cheese products";

[4.5] inserting after subclause (22)(b) -

"(c) ***Listeria monocytogenes.*** Proceed in accordance with the current standard method in AS 1766, *Methods for the Microbiological Examination of Food*, save that, for the purpose of this method, when 5 sample units each consisting of 100 g or more of cheese or cheese product are examined as detailed the result shall be reported as '*Listeria monocytogenes* not detected in 25 g of the food' only when no *Listeria monocytogenes* has been detected in 25 g of each of the 5 sample units. For the purposes of this method, the sample units may be examined individually or pooled.

Samples taken for the purposes of this method shall be of the packed product taken at the processing factory or at the wholesale level. Retail samples shall not be used for this purpose."

[5.] **Standard K2** is varied by inserting after clause (6) -

"(7) The label on or attached to a package containing royal jelly, or a food containing royal jelly, must include, immediately following the prescribed name or appropriate designation and in standard type of 3 mm, the statement -

'WARNING - NOT RECOMMENDED FOR ASTHMATICS OR ALLERGY SUFFERERS AS IT CAN CAUSE SEVERE ALLERGIC REACTIONS'."

[6.] **Standard S4** is varied by inserting in Columns 1, 2 and 3 respectively of Table 1, the following entries -

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| (i) | "Smoked fish products specified in subclauses (4)(d) and (4)(e) of Standard D1 | 5 | 100 g"; |
| (ii) | "Cheese made from milk and milk products described in paragraph (1)(d)(ii) of Standard H9 | 5 | 100 g"; and |
| (iii) | "Cheese or cheese products described in paragraph (1)(h)(i) of Standard H9 | 5 | 100 g". |