

PREVENTION OF FOOD ADULTERATION

GSR 431(E)

-Notification (19th June 2009)

Whereas certain draft rules further to amend the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules 1955 were published, as required by sub-section (1) of section 23 of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (37 of 1954), in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, vide notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health), number G. S. R. 451(E), dated the 28th June, 2007, inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby till the expiry of the period of sixty days from the date on which copies of the Official Gazette containing the said notification, were made available to the public;

And whereas, the copies of the said notification were made available to the public on 3rd July, 2007;

And whereas, objections and suggestions received from the public within the specified period on the said draft rules have been considered by the Central Government;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 23 of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (37 of 1954), the Central Government, after consultation with the Central Committee for Food Standards, hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955, namely:

1. (1) These rules may be called the **Prevention of Food Adulteration (3rd Amendment) Rules, 2009**.
(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955, (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in the rule 42(ZZZ) the following words shall be omitted, namely:

“Every package of chewing tobacco shall bear the following label, namely:-

“Chewing of tobacco is injurious to health”;

3. In Appendix B of the said rules,-

(a) in item **A.01.01** relating to carbonated water, in the second paragraph, for the words and figures “caffeine not exceeding 200 parts per million”, the following words and figures shall be substituted, namely:-

“caffeine not exceeding 145 parts per million”;

(b) for item **A.05.27** relating to Dried (Dehydrated) Garlic (Lahsun) whole, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“A.05.27: Dried (Dehydrated) Garlic (Lahsun) means the product obtained by drying by any suitable method which ensures characteristics of fresh garlic on rehydration the cloves of *Allium/sativum* L without bleaching or pre-cooking. It shall be white to pale cream in colour, free from scorched, toasted and baked particles. It may be whole, sliced, quarters, pieces, flakes, kibbled, granules or powdered. The product on rehydration shall have characteristic pungent odour of garlic, free from off odour, mustiness fermentation and rancidity. It shall be free from mould, living and dead insects, insect fragments, rodent contamination and fungal infection. The products shall be free from added colouring matter and any other harmful substances. It shall be free from stalks, peels, stems, and extraneous matter. When in powdered form, it shall be free flowing and free from agglomerates.

The products may contain food additives permitted in Appendix - C and it shall conform to the following standards, namely:-

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| (i) | Extraneous matter | Not more than 0.5 percent by weight. |
| (ii) | Moisture: | |
| | (a) in case of powdered Garlic | Not more than 5.0 percent by weight. |
| | (b) other than powdered Garlic | Not more than 8.0 percent by weight |
| (iii) | Total Ash on dry basis | Not more than 5.0 percent by weight. |
| (iv) | Ash insoluble in dil HCL | Not more than 0.5 percent by weight. |
| (v) | Cold water soluble extract On dry basis | Not less than 70.0 and Not more than 90 percent by weight. |
| (vi) | Volatile organic sulphur compound on dry basis | Not less than 0.3 percent by weight. |
| (vii) | Salmonella | Absent in 25gram. |

(viii) Peroxidase test

Negative”;

(c) for item **A.05.29** relating to Dehydrated Onion (Sukha Pyaj), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“**A.05.29: Dehydrated Onion (Sukha Pyaj)** - means the product obtained by removal of most moisture by any acceptable method which ensures characteristics of fresh onions on rehydration, from sound bulbs of *Allium cepa*.L. free from mould, disease, outer skin, leaves and roots. The product may be whole or in the form of slices, rings, flakes, pieces, small grits or powder. The product may be white/cream/pink or red in colour, free from stalks, peals, stems and extraneous matters and scorched particles. The finished product shall be free from discolouration or enzymatic reaction. The product on rehydration shall be of characteristic flavour, free from foreign and off flavour, mustiness, fermentation and rancid flavour.

It shall be free from mould, living and dead insects, insect fragments and rodent contamination. The product shall be free from added colouring matter and any other harmful substances. When in powdered form, it shall be free flowing and free from agglomerates.

The products may contain food additives permitted in Appendix - C and it shall conform to the following standards, namely:-

(i) Extraneous matter Not more than 0.5 percent by weight.

(ii) Moisture:

(a) in case of powdered onion Not more than 5.0 percent by weight.

(b) other than powdered onion Not more than 8.0 percent by weight.

(iii) Total Ash on dry basis Not more than 5.0 percent by weight.

(iv) Ash insoluble in dil HCl Not more than 0.5 percent by weight.

(v) Peroxidase test Negative”;

(d) in item **A.15.01.01** relating to Potassium Iodate, for the words, brackets and figures, "Potassium iodate (as KIO₃) percent by weight not less than 99.8", the following words, brackets and figures shall be substituted, namely:-

“Potassium iodate (as KIO₃) percent by weight not less than 99.0”;

(e) in item **A.16.36** relating to Dehydrated Vegetables, in the Table, the Serial numbers 6 and 7 and the entries relating thereto, shall be omitted.

4. In Appendix C of the said rules, in the Table 8, relating to list of Food Additives for use in food products, in column (10), for the heading, the following heading shall be substituted, namely:-

“Dehydrated Vegetable, Dehydrated Garlic and Dehydrated Onion.”.

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