

Australia New Zealand Food Law on Disc® Version 65

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Version 65 of the FOODfind Food Law® on Disc (and Electronic) contains:

- Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code
(Consolidation to Amendment 121 gazetted in Australia and New Zealand on 10 February 2010)
Updated in Version 65
- ANZFSC User Guides, including decisions of the Novel Food Reference Group and Advisory Committee on Novel Foods to September 2010 *Updated in Version 65*
- New Zealand Regulations
 - New Zealand Food (Safety) Regulations 2002 (As amended in 2004)
 - New Zealand Dietary Supplements Regulations 1984 (As amended in February 2010)
- New Zealand Food Standards:
 - New Zealand (Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code) Food Standards 2002
(Consolidation including Amendment 34 – Gazetted 30 10 February 2011 – effective 10 March 2011) – adopting up to and including Amendment 120 to the Food Standards Code.
Updated in Version 65
 - New Zealand (Mandatory Fortification of Bread with Folic Acid) Food Standard 2007 including a consolidation of the New Zealand (Mandatory Fortification of Bread with Folic Acid) Amendment Food Standard 2009
 - New Zealand (Prescribed Foods) Food Standards 2007 – including the Food (Prescribed Foods Standard 2007) Amendment Standard 2009 issued 24th August 2009
 - Food (Importer general-requirements) Standard – 10 September 2008, Effective 16 October 2008
 - Food (Importer listing) Standard – 10 September 2008, Effective 16 October 2008
 - New Zealand (Maximum Residues of Agricultural Compounds) Food Standards 2011 – 15
Updated in Version 65 – Replaces New Zealand (Maximum Residues of Agricultural Compounds) Food Standards 2010, as amended.
 - (Consolidation including Amendment 1 – Gazetted 21 August 2010 – effective 23 September 2010)
 - New Zealand (Imported Milk and Milk Products) Standard 2009
(Gazette Notice No. 7387, 24 August 2009, effective 1 October 2009)
 - New Zealand (Bee Product Warning Statements - Dietary Supplements) Food Standards 2002
 - Food (Uncooked Comminuted Fermented Meat) Standard 2008
 - Food (Tutin in Honey) Standard 2010
Updated in Version 65 – Replaces Food (Tutin in Honey) Standard 2008
 - New Zealand Food (Supplemented Food) Standard 2010. (Replacement for Dietary Supplements Regulations relating to food-type dietary supplements).
- Acts:
 - Model Food Act – Australia

- Competition and Consumer Act 2010 – excerpts relating to Misleading or Deceptive Practices, Unfair Practices, and Country of Origin Representations. **Updated in Version 65**
 - Food Act 1985 - New Zealand
(Consolidation including Food Amendment Act 2002, 18 June 2002)
- 1995 AFGC Code of Conduct for the Provision of Information on Food Products – Australia (incorporating Code of Practice on Nutrient Claims in Food Labels and in Advertisements)

COMING SOON

- 2011 AFGC Code of Practice for Food Labelling and Promotion
- ACCC Guidelines on
- Food and beverage industry - Country of origin guidelines to the Trade Practice Act
 - Food and beverage industry - Food descriptors guideline to the Trade Practices Act
Food labelling guide – 2009
 - Mandatory Reporting

Summary of Amendments included in Version 65

Amendments to the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code

Summary of Amendment 120 – 20 January 2011

- **Australia:** Food Standards Gazette – [FSC62](#)
- **New Zealand:** Gazette Notice [260](#), Gazette [5](#)

All amendments commenced on 20 January 2011

Standard	Provision	FSANZ Reference	Details
1.3.1	Schedule 1, Item 4.1.1	M1005	Inserting Note about sulphur dioxide as an agricultural chemical before Item 4.1.1 – correction to Amendment 119.
1.5.2	Purpose	A1040	Replace “Purpose” with “Simplified outline of this Standard”
1.5.2	Clause 1	A1040	1. Insert all current information into subclause (1). 2. Insert subclause (2) explaining columns in the schedule. 3. Amending the definition of “line”.
1.5.2	Clause 2	A1040	Replacing the clause and deleting the Table.
1.5.2	Clause 7	A1040	Amending the clause.
1.5.2	Schedule	A1040	Inserting the Schedule, effectively a replacement for the Table to Clause 2.
1.5.2	Table of Contents	A1040	Amending the Table of Contents to reflect amendments.

Summary of Amendment 121 – 10 February 2011

- **Australia:** Food Standards Gazette – [FSC63](#)
- **New Zealand:** Gazette Notice [809](#), Gazette [14](#)

All amendments commenced on 10 February 2011

Standard	Provision	FSANZ Reference	Details
1.2.4	Schedule 2, Parts 1 & 2	A1025	Omitting the entry for Dimethyl dicarbonate - 242
1.3.1	Schedule 1. Items 14.1.2, 14.1.3, 14.1.4, 14.2.2, & 14.2.4.	A1025	Omitting all entries for 242 – Dimethyl dicarbonate/
1.3.3	Clause 1	A1025	Amending the definition of processing aid to include clauses 3 to 19 of this standard.
1.3.3	Clause 17, Table	A1044	Inserting “ <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , containing the gene for pullulanase isolated from <i>Bacillus acidopullulyticus</i> ” as a source of Pullulanase EC 3.2.1.41.
1.3.3	Clause 19	A1025	Inserting Clause 19 – Dimethyl dicarbonate as a microbial control agent.
1.4.1	Subclause 5(5)	P1009	Inserting subclause 5(5) indicating that the MLs for Tutin in honey and comb honey cease on 31 March 2013.
1.4.1	Clause 5 (Table)	P1009	Removing the note - “The ML for Tutin to cease on 31 March 2011”.

Note on commencement in New Zealand – Commencement dates listed above apply in Australia only. Each amendment must be specifically gazetted into New Zealand Law - New Zealand (Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code) Food Standards 2002. Amendments up to Amendment 120 had been adopted by gazettal at the time of publishing Version 65.

Recommended Amendments to the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code included in Version 65

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7 March 2011

- [Proposal M1006](#) – **Maximum Residue Limits (October 2009-March 2010)**: to amend maximum residue limits for a number of agricultural and veterinary chemicals [Australia only]
- [Proposal M1007](#) – **Maximum Residue Limits (April-June 2010)**: To amend residue limits for a number of agricultural and veterinary chemicals [Australia only]

Draft Amendments released for comment for the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code included in Version 65

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14 February 2011

- **Application A1034 – Advantame as a High Intensity Sweetener**: to approve Advantame for use in table top sugar substitutes and a range of powdered beverages including fruit drinks, milks and milk-flavoured drinks, instant tea and coffee, and protein drinks (**comment closes on 15 March**)
- **Application A1049 – Food derived from Herbicide-tolerant, High Oleic Acid Soybean Line MON87705**: to seek permission for food derived from soybean genetically modified to contain an improved fatty acid profile (**comment closes on 28 March**)

4 February 2011 – for comment until 18 March 2011

- **Application A1050 – Acyltransferase as a Processing Aid (Enzyme)**: to seek approval for acyltransferase, produced from a genetically modified strain of *Bacillus licheniformis*, for use as an emulsifier

15 December 2010 – for comment until 9 February 2011

- **Application A1030 – Calcium Lignosulphonate (40-65) as a Food Additive**: to permit the use of calcium lignosulphonate (40-65) as a carrier in preparations of food additives and nutrients and other functional ingredients to facilitate their introduction into water-based foods
- **Application A1037 – Steviol Glycosides – Increase in Permitted Use Levels**: to approve an increase to 200 mg/kg steviol equivalents for the permitted use level for ice cream, water based beverages, brewed soft drinks, formulated beverages, flavoured soy beverages and to 100 mg/kg steviol equivalents for plain soy beverages
- **Proposal P1013 – Code Maintenance IX**: to amend Standards for reasons of clarification and to correct minor typographical errors or inconsistencies, including updating references, amendment or deletion of outdated provisions, correcting some typographical and formatting issues, and correcting cross references.
- **Proposal P242 – Food for Special Medical Purposes**: to develop a Standard for foods permitted for special dietary and medical purposes

5 November 2010 – for comment until 17 December 2010

- **Application A1048 – Co-extruded Polystyrene & PVPP as a Processing Aid**: to permit the use of an extrudate from polystyrene and cross-linked polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVPP) as a clarifying and adsorbent agent in beverages, specifically beer

6 September 2010

- [Proposal P1004 – Primary Production & Processing Standard for Seed Sprouts](#) (open for comments on draft standard until 18 October 2010)

Includes Draft Standard 4.2.6 - Production and Processing Standard for Seed Sprouts.

23 September 2009

- [P301 - Primary Production and Processing Standard for Eggs and Egg Products](#)

Includes draft Standard 4.2.5 – Primary Production and Processing Standard for Eggs and Egg Product, and amendments to Standards 1.1.1, 1.6.1, 1.6.2 and a replaced Standard 2.2.2

20 March 2009

- [P293 – Nutrition, Health and Related Claims – Consultation Paper](#)

Includes draft Standard 1.2.7 – Nutrition Health and Related Claims and amendments to various other standards.

12 December 2007

- [P290 – Food Safety Programs for Catering Operations to the General Public](#)

Amendments to New Zealand Regulations and Food Standards included in Version 65

- New Zealand (Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code) Food Standards 2002, [Amendment 32](#), [Amendment 33](#), [Amendment 34](#) adopting up to amendment 120 of the Food Standards Code.
- New Zealand (Maximum Residues of Agricultural Compounds) Food Standards 2011 – 15 February 2011 – effective 24 March 2011.
Replaces New Zealand (Maximum Residues of Agricultural Compounds) Food Standards 2010, as amended.
- Food (Tutin in Honey) Standard 2010
Replaces Food (Tutin in Honey) Standard 2008

Applications and Proposals under consideration by FSANZ, which have not yet reached draft amendment stage:

24 January 2011

- [Application A1056](#) – Dimethyl Ether as a Processing Aid (Solvent)

23 November 2010

- [Application A1055](#) – Short-chain Fructo-oligosaccharides

23 September 2010

- [Application A1054](#) – Dibromo-dimethylhydantoin (DBDMH) as a Processing Aid

18 August 2010

- [Application A1050](#) – Acyltransferase as a Processing Aid (Enzyme)
- [Application A1051](#) – Food derived from Herbicide-tolerant Soybean Event FG72

28 June 2010

- [Application A1047](#) – Sodium Carboxymethylcellulose as a Food Additive in Wine

18 June 2010

- [Application A1046](#) – Food derived from Herbicide-tolerant Soybean Line DAS-68416-4

7 May 2010

- [Proposal P1011](#) – Country of Origin Labelling – Unpackaged Meat Products: to consider extending country of origin labelling requirements to include unpackaged beef, chicken and lamb products

19 March 2010

- [Application A1043](#) – World Health Organization Limits for Packaged Water: to adopt limits for certain chemical substances in packaged water to reflect the current limits in place in international Standards established by the World Health Organization

15 March 2010

- [Application A1042](#) – Food derived from herbicide-tolerant Corn Line DAS-40278-9

24 February 2010

- [Application A1041](#) – Food derived from SDA Soybean Line MON 87769

28 January 2010

- [Application A1039](#) – Low THC Hemp as a Food: to approve the use of *Cannabis sativa* with low levels of tetrahydrocannabinol, in both seed and seed oil, as a food

12 January 2010

- [Application A1038](#) – Irradiation of Persimmons