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FOOD

The Extraction Solvents in Food (Amendment) Regulations 1995

Made	24th May 1995
Laid before Parliament	9th June 1995
Coming into force	30th June 1995

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Health and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in relation to England and Wales, and the Secretary of State for Scotland in relation to Scotland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 16(1)(a) and (c), 17(1), 26(1)(a) and (3) and 48(1) of the Food Safety Act 1990(1) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations, after consultation in accordance with section 48(4) of the said Act with such organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests likely to be substantially affected by the Regulations:—

Title and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Extraction Solvents in Food (Amendment) Regulations 1995 and shall come into force on 30th June 1995.

Amendment of the Extraction Solvents in Food Regulations 1993

2. The Extraction Solvents in Food Regulations 1993(2) shall be amended as follows—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (e) of paragraph (2) of regulation 4 (sale of food containing extraction solvents and of extraction solvents), for the number "19" there shall be substituted the number "20";
- (b) immediately after item 19 in Part I of Schedule 1 (permitted extraction solvents) there shall be added, in Column 1, the following item—

"20. Cyclohexane";

(c) immediately after the entry relating to Propan-1-o1 in Schedule 3 (which specifies maximum residues for extraction solvents in foods containing flavourings prepared from

^{(1) 1990} c. 16; "the Ministers" is defined in section 4(1) of the Act.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 1993/1658.

natural flavouring materials by the use of such extraction solvents) there shall be inserted the following entry—

in Column 1 (extraction solventin Column 2 (maximum residue)Cyclohexane1 mg/kg.

Angela Browning Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

13th May 1995

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health:

Department of Health 15th May 1995 *Cumberlege* Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Wales:

Welsh Office 24th May 1995 *Gwilym Jones* Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,

Scottish Office 16th May 1995 Hector Monro Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which apply to Great Britain, come into force on 30th June 1995.

The Regulations amend the Extraction Solvents in Food Regulations 1993 (S.I.1993/1658) in implementation of Council Directive 88/344/EEC (OJNo. L157, 24.6.88, p.28) (as amended by Council Directive 92/115/EEC (OJ No. L409, 31.12.92, p.31)) on the approximation of the laws of the Member States on extraction solvents used in the production of foodstuffs and food ingredients, as now further amended by Directive 94/52/EC of the European Parliament and the Council (OJ No. L331, 21.12.94, p.10).

The extraction solvent Cyclohexane is now introduced as an extraction solvent the use of which is permitted in the preparation of flavourings from natural flavouring materials subject to a maximum residue limit of 1 mg of Cyclohexane in 1 kg of food. Appropriate amendments are made to Schedules 3 and 1 to, and regulation 4(2)(e) of, the 1993 Regulations (regulation 2).