STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No. 685

The Food Additives and Novel Foods (Authorisations and Miscellaneous Amendments) and Food Flavourings (Removal of Authorisations) (England) Regulations 2024

PART 2

Food Additives

Amendment of Regulation (EC) No. 1333/2008

- **2.**—(1) Annex 2 to Regulation (EC) No. 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on food additives(1) is amended as follows.
- (2) In Part B, paragraph 2, in the table headed "Sweeteners" after the entry for "E 960a" (Steviol glycosides from Stevia) insert the following entry—

"E 960b

Steviol glycosides from fermentation".

- (3) In Part C, paragraph 5—
 - (a) for "(v) E 960a and E 906c: Steviol glycosides" substitute "(v) E 960a E 960c: Steviol glycosides"; and
 - (b) in the table at (v), after the entry for "E 960a" (Steviol glycosides from Stevia) insert the following entry —

"E 960b

Steviol glycosides from fermentation".

- (4) In Part E, in the table—
 - (a) in each place in which it occurs, for "E 960a and E 960c" substitute "E 960a E 960c";
 - (b) in category 03 (Edible ices), after the entry for "E 473-474" (Sucrose esters of fatty acids sucroglycerides) insert the following entry—

"E 476 Polyglycerol 4000 except sorbets". polyricinoleate

- (c) in category 05.1 (Cocoa and Chocolate products) after table footnote "(*)" (E 170, E 500-504, E 524-528 and E 530: 7 % on dry matter, without fat, expressed as potassium carbonates) insert the following footnote "(1): The additives may be added individually or in combination";
- (d) in category 05.2 (Other confectionery including breath freshening microsweets)—

- (i) in the third entry for "Group IV" (Polyols) for "only cocoa or dried fruit-based, milk or fat-based sandwich spreads, energy-reduced or with no added sugar" substitute "sandwich spreads made with a base of cocoa, milk, dried fruit or fat; energy reduced or with no added sugar";
- (ii) in the first entry for "E 960a and E 960c" (Steviol glycosides) for "only cocoa or dried-fruit-based, energy-reduced or with no added sugar" substitute "only cocoa or dried fruit based; energy reduced or with no added sugar";
- (iii) in the second entry for "E 960a and E 960c" (Steviol glycosides) for "only cocoa, milk, dried-fruit-based or fat-based sandwich spreads, energy-reduced or with no added sugar" substitute "sandwich spreads made with a base of cocoa, milk, dried fruit or fat; energy reduced or with no added sugar";
- (e) in category 05.4 (Decorations, coatings and fillings, except fruit-based fillings covered by category 4.2.4), for the second entry for "E 960a and E 960c" (Steviol glycosides) for "only cocoa or dried-fruit-based, energy-reduced or with no added sugar" substitute "only cocoa or dried fruit based; energy reduced or with no added sugar"; and
- (f) in category 12.6 (Sauces), for the entry for "E 476" (Polyglycerol polyricinoleate) substitute—

"E 476	Polyglycerol polyricinoleate	4000	only emulsified sauces with a fat content of less than 20%
E 476	Polyglycerol polyricinoleate	8000	only emulsified sauces with a fat content of 20% or more".

Amendment of Commission Regulation (EU) No. 231/2012

- **3.**—(1) The Annex to Commission Regulation (EU) No. 231/2012 laying down specifications for food additives listed in Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No. 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council(2) is amended as follows.
- (2) In the first paragraph, for "Note: Ethylene oxide may not be used for sterilising purposes in food additives" substitute —

"Restrictions on ethylene oxide in food additives

Ethylene oxide may not be used for sterilising purposes in food additives.

Total residues of ethylene oxide (sum of ethylene oxide and 2-chloroethanol expressed as ethylene oxide (i.e., ethylene oxide + (0.55 x 2-chloroethanol)), irrespective of origin, in food additives listed in Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008, or mixtures of those food additives, must not exceed 0.1 mg/kg."

- (3) In the following tables headed—
 - (a) "E 431 POLYOXYETHYLENE (40) STEARATE";
 - (b) "E 432 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN MONOLAURATE (POLYSORBATE 20)";
 - (c) "E 433 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN MONOOLEATE (POLYSORBATE 80)";

- (d) "E 434 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN MONOPALMITATE (POLYSORBATE 40)";
- (e) "E 435 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN MONOSTEARATE (POLYSORBATE 60)";
- (f) "E 436 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN TRISTEARATE (POLYSORBATE 65)";
- (g) "E 1209 POLYVINYL ALCOHOL-POLYETHYLENE GLYCOL-*GRAFT*-COPOLYMER"; and
- (h) "E 1521 POLYETHYLENE GLYCOL";

omit "Ethylene oxide" and "Not more than 0,2 mg/kg".

- (4) After the table for "E 960a" (Steviol glycosides from stevia), insert the heading and table in Schedule 1.
- (5) In the heading for the table for "E 960c" (Rebaudioside M produced via enzyme modification of steviol glycosides from stevia) for "E 960c" substitute "E 960c(i)".
 - (6) In alphabetical order, insert the heading and table in Schedule 2.