

Food Standards (Application A1170 – Rebaudioside MD as a steviol glycoside from *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*) Variation

The Board of Food Standards Australia New Zealand gives notice of the making of this variation under section 92 of the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991*. The variation commences on the date specified in clause 3 of this variation.

Dated 28 August 2019

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Note:

This variation will be published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. FSC 128 on 5 September 2019. This means that this date is the gazettal date for the purposes of clause 3 of the variation.

1 Name

This instrument is the *Food Standards* (*Application A1170 – Rebaudioside MD as a steviol glycoside from* Saccharomyces cerevisiae) Variation.

2 Variation to a standard in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code

The Schedule varies a Standard in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code.

3 Commencement

The variation commences on the date of gazettal.

Schedule

[1] Schedule 3 is varied by

- [1.1] inserting in the table to subsection S3—2(2) in alphabetical order
 - steviol glycosides from fermentation section S3—39
- [1.2] inserting after section S3—38

S3—39 Specification for steviol glycosides from fermentation

- (1) This specification relates to a steviol glycosides preparation that:
 - (a) is obtained from fermentation;
 - (b) is not obtained from the leaves of the Stevia rebaudiana Bertoni plant; and
 - (c) contains a prescribed steviol glycoside.
- (2) In this section,

prescribed steviol glycoside means a steviol glycoside listed in the table below if the steviol glycoside is derived from the corresponding source specified in the table.

Prescribed Steviol Glycosides

Steviol Glycoside	Source
Rebaudioside MD	Saccharomyces cerevisiae strain CD15407 containing novel genes for the production of rebaudiosides

- (3) The specifications are the following:
 - (a) Description—white to light yellow powder, approximately 200 to 300 times sweeter than sucrose;
 - (b) Assay—not less than 95% of steviol glycosides on the dried basis;
 - (c) Solubility—freely soluble in water;
 - (d) pH—between 4.5 and 7.0 (1% solution);
 - (e) Total ash—not more than 1%;
 - (f) Loss on drying—not more than 6% (105°C, 2 hour);
 - (g) Residual solvents—not more than 200 mg/kg methanol and not more than 5000 mg/kg ethanol;
 - (h) Arsenic—not more than 1 mg/kg;
 - (i) Lead—not more than 1 mg/kg;
 - (j) Cadmium—not more than 1 mg/kg;
 - (k) Mercury—not more than 1 mg/kg;
 - (I) The final product may be spray dried.