

**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.

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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

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| 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:
2. is obtained from fermentation;
3. is not obtained from the leaves of the *Stevia rebaudiana* Bertoni plant; and
4. contains a prescribed steviol glycoside.
5. 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*** |
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| Rebaudioside MD | *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* strain CD15407 containing novel genes for the production of rebaudiosides |

1. 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;

 (l) The final product may be spray dried.