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**FOOD AND DRUGS****Composition and Labelling****Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food (Amendment) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 1976***Made* . . . . . 1st December 1976*Coming into operation* . . . . . 10th January 1977

The Department(a) of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 4, 7, 68 and 68A of the Food and Drugs Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf and after consultation with such organisations as appear to it to be representative of interests substantially affected by these regulations, hereby makes the following regulations:

*Citation and commencement*

1. These regulations may be cited as the Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976, and shall come into operation on 10th January 1977.

*Amendment of principal regulations*

2. The Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975(c), as amended(d), shall be further amended by inserting in Part II of Schedule 2 after the entry "Ghatti gum" in Column 2 of item (b) the entry "Guar gum".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 1st December 1976.

(L.S.)

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)*

These regulations come into operation on 10th January 1977 and further amend the Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975. They add guar gum to the list of emulsifiers and stabilisers permitted in soft cheese, whey cheese, processed cheese and cheese spread at levels in accordance with good manufacturing practice.

(a) Formerly Ministry: see 1973 c. 36 Sch. 5 para. 8

(b) 1958 c. 27 (N.I.)

(c) S.R. 1975 No. 278 (II, p. 1323)

(d) S.R. 1976 No. 183 and S.R. 1976 No. 357