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FOOD

Colours in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

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COLOURS IN FOOD REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1996

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SCHEDULE Permitted Colours

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SCHEDULE 2 Foods which may not contain added colours, except where specifically provided for in Schedules 3, 4 or 5

1. Unprocessed foodstuffs
2. All bottled or packed waters
3. Milk, semi-skimmed and skimmed milk, pasteurised or sterilised (including UHT...
4. Chocolate milk
5. Fermented milk (unflavoured)
6. Preserved milks as mentioned in Directive 76/118/EEC
7. Butter-milk (unflavoured)
8. Cream and cream powder (unflavoured)

9. Oils and fats of animal or vegetable origin
10. Eggs and egg products as defined in Article 2(1) of...
11. Flour and other milled products and starches
12. Bread and similar products
13. Pasta and gnocchi
14. Sugar, including all mono- and disaccharides
15. Tomato paste and canned and bottled tomatoes
16. Tomato-based sauces
17. Fruit juice and fruit nectar as mentioned in Directive 93/77/EEC...
18. Fruit, vegetables (including potatoes) and mushrooms — canned, bottled or...
19. Extra jam, extra jelly, and chestnut purée as mentioned in...
20. Fish, molluscs and crustaceans, meat, poultry and game as well...
21. Cocoa products and chocolate components in chocolate products as mentioned...
22. Roasted coffee, tea, chicory; tea and chicory extracts; tea, plant,...
23. Salt, salt substitutes, spices and mixtures of spices
24. Wine and other products defined by Regulation (EEC) No. 822/87...
25. Korn, Kornbrand, fruit spirit drinks, fruit spirits, Ouzo, Grappa, Tsikoudia...
26. Sambuca, Maraschino and Mistra as defined in Regulation (EEC) No....
27. Sangria, Clarea and Zurra as mentioned in Regulation (EEC) No....
28. Wine vinegar
29. Foods for infants and young children as mentioned in Directive...
30. Honey
31. Malt and malt products
32. Ripened and unripened cheese (unflavoured)
33. Butter from sheep and goats' milk

SCHEDULE 3 Foods to which only certain permitted colours may be added

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SCHEDULE 4 Colours permitted for use in certain foods only

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SCHEDULE 5 Further permitted colours in certain foods

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Part I

The following colours may be used, in each case at...

E 101 (i) Riboflavin

(ii) Riboflavin-5'-phosphate

E 140 Chlorophylls and chlorophyllins

E 141 Copper complexes of chlorophylls and chlorophyllins

E 150a Plain caramel

E 150b Caustic sulphite caramel

E 150c Ammonia caramel

E 150d Sulphite ammonia caramel

E 153 Vegetable carbon

E 160a Carotenes

E 160c Paprika extract, capsanthin, capsorubin

E 162 Beetroot Red, betanin

E 163 Anthocyanins

E 170 Calcium carbonate

E 171 Titanium dioxide

E 172 Iron oxides and hydroxides

Part II

The following colours may be used singly or in combination...

E 100 Curcumin
E 102 Tartrazine
E 104 Quinoline Yellow
E 110 Sunset Yellow FCF
Orange Yellow S
E 120 Cochineal, Carminic acid, Carmines
E 122 Azorubine, Carmoisine
E 124 Ponceau 4R, Cochineal Red A
E 129 Allura Red AC
E 131 Patent Blue V
E 132 Indigotine, Indigo carmine
E 133 Brilliant Blue FCF
E 142 Green S
E 151 Brilliant Black BN, Black PN
E 155 Brown HT
E 160d Lycopene
E 160e Beta-apo-8'-carotenal (C 30)
E 160f Ethyl ester of Beta-apo-8'-carotenic acid (C 30)
E 161b Lutein

Part III

SCHEDULE **Revocations**

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Explanatory Note