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## FOOD, WALES AGRICULTURE, WALES

The Food Additives, Food Flavourings, and Novel Foods (Authorisations) and Food and Feed (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2023

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Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1(3)

and (4)

The Welsh Ministers make these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by—

- Articles 7(5) and 14A(2)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1331/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a common authorisation procedure for food additives, food enzymes and food flavourings(1);
- Article 12(1) of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of the European Parliament and of the Council on novel foods(2);
- sections 16(1)(a) and (2)(b), and 48(1)(c) of the Food Safety Act 1990(3);
- sections 74A(1) and 84(1) of the Agriculture Act 1970(4).

<sup>(1)</sup> EUR 2008/1331, amended by S.I. 2019/860 and 2022/1351. S.I. 2019/860 was amended by S.I. 2020/1504. The terms "domestic list", "prescribe" and "appropriate authority" are defined in Article 2 of EUR 2008/1331. The term "sectoral food law" is defined in Article 1(2) of EUR 2008/1331. In relation to Part 2 of these Regulations, Article 7(5) of EUR 2008/1331 applies in accordance with Articles 10(3), 14 and 30(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on food additives (EUR 2008/1333). In relation to Part 3 of these Regulations, Article 7(5) of EUR 2008/1331 applies in accordance with Article 11(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on flavourings and certain food ingredients with flavouring properties for use in and on foods (EUR 2008/1334).

<sup>(2)</sup> EUR 2015/2283, amended by S.I. 2019/702; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant. S.I. 2019/702 was amended by S.I. 2020/1504. The terms "prescribe", "appropriate authority" and "list" are defined in Article 3 of EUR 2015/2283. Article 12(1) of EUR 2015/2283 applies in accordance with Articles 9 and 27(1) of that Regulation.

<sup>(3) 1990</sup> c. 16. Sections 16(1) and (2), and 48(1) were amended by section 40(1) of, and paragraphs 7 and 8 of Schedule 5 to, the Food Standards Act 1999 (c. 28) ("the 1999 Act"). There are other amendments not relevant to these Regulations. Those functions, formerly exercisable by "the Ministers", so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by S.I. 1999/672 as read with section 40(3) of the 1999 Act. Those functions are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers by virtue of section 162 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to, the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).

<sup>(4) 1970</sup> c. 40. Section 74A was inserted by paragraph 6 of Schedule 4 to the European Communities Act 1972 (c. 68); that section was subsequently amended by section 33(3) of the Agriculture Act 2020 (c. 21). Section 84 was amended by S.I. 2004/3254. The terms "the Ministers", "prescribed" and "regulations" are defined in section 66(1) of the Agriculture Act 1970. Functions formerly exercisable by "the Ministers", so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by S.I. 1999/672. Those functions are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers by virtue of section 162 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to, the Government of Wales Act 2006.

The Welsh Ministers have sought, and had regard to, advice from the Food Standards Agency as required by Article 7(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1331/2008(5) (in relation to Parts 2 and 3) and section 48(4A) of the Food Safety Act 1990(6) (in relation to regulations 7 and 8).

There has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation of these Regulations in accordance with the requirements of Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety(7) or, in the case of provisions relating to feed for non food-producing animals, of section 84(1) of the Agriculture Act 1970.

## PART 1

#### Introduction

## Title, extent, application and coming into force

- 1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Food Additives, Food Flavourings, and Novel Foods (Authorisations) and Food and Feed (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2023.
  - (2) These Regulations—
    - (a) extend to England and Wales;
    - (b) apply in relation to Wales.
  - (3) Parts 1 and 5 come into force on 14 April 2023.
  - (4) Parts 2, 3 and 4 come into force on 15 May 2023.

## PART 2

## Food Additives Authorisation

#### Amendment of Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008

**2.** Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on food additives(8) is amended in accordance with Schedule 1.

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

**3.** 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(9) is amended in accordance with Schedule 2.

<sup>(5)</sup> The term "Authority" is defined in Article 2(3) of EUR 2008/1331.

<sup>(6)</sup> Section 48(4A) was inserted by paragraph 21 of Schedule 5 to, the 1999 Act.

<sup>(7)</sup> EUR 2002/178, amended by S.I. 2019/641; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

<sup>(8)</sup> EUR 2008/1333, amended by S.I. 2019/860. S.I. 2019/860 was amended by S.I 2020/1504.

<sup>(9)</sup> EUR 2012/231, amended by S.I. 2019/860.

#### **Transitional provision**

- **4.**—(1) Any food additive or food labelled before the end of 14 November 2024 as E 960 steviol glycosides, or as containing E 960 steviol glycosides, that is otherwise compliant with the conditions of use and the specification for E 960a steviol glycosides from Stevia, may continue to be placed on the market and used until stocks are exhausted.
- (2) Expressions used in paragraph (1) and in Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on food additives have the same meaning as in that Regulation.

## PART 3

## Food Flavourings Authorisation

#### Amendment of Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008

**5.** Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on flavourings and certain food ingredients with flavouring properties for use in and on foods(10) is amended in accordance with Schedule 3.

## PART 4

#### **Novel Foods Authorisation**

#### Amendment of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470

**6.** Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 establishing the Union list of novel foods in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of the European Parliament and of the Council on novel foods(**11**) is amended in accordance with Schedules 4 and 5.

## PART 5

## Miscellaneous Amendments

#### Amendment of the Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (Wales) Regulations 2012

7. In the Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (Wales) Regulations 2012(12), in regulation 12(2), for the words from "table 1" to the end substitute "Table 1 of Schedule 6 and subject to the restrictions in that Table".

## Amendment of the Food Additives, Flavourings, Enzymes and Extraction Solvents (Wales) Regulations 2013

- **8.** In the Food Additives, Flavourings, Enzymes and Extraction Solvents (Wales) Regulations 2013(13), in regulation 2(1), in the definition of "the retained EU Regulations"—
  - (a) in the Welsh language text, for "("the EU Regulations")" substitute "("the retained EU Regulations")";

<sup>(10)</sup> EUR 2008/1334; amended by S.I. 2019/860. S.I. 2019/860 was amended by S.I 2020/1504.

<sup>(11)</sup> EUR 2017/2470, amended by S.I. 2019/702 and 2022/575 (W. 133); there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

<sup>(12)</sup> S.I. 2012/2705 (W. 291), amended by S.I. 2022/1362 (W. 273); there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

<sup>(13)</sup> S.I. 2013/2591 (W. 255), amended by S.I. 2022/1362 (W. 273); there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

(b) in the English language text, after "'the retained EU Regulations'" insert "("*Rheoliadau'r UE a ddargedwir*")".

## Amendment of the Animal Feed (Composition, Marketing and Use) (Wales) Regulations 2016

- **9.**—(1) The Animal Feed (Composition, Marketing and Use) (Wales) Regulations 2016(14) are amended as follows.
- (2) In Schedule 1B, in Table 1, in the Welsh language text, in the entry for "1. Arsenig", in the second column, for "deunyddiau blawd", in each place it occurs, substitute "deunyddiau bwyd anifeiliaid".

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#### SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 2

Amendments to the domestic list of food additives approved for use in foods in Annex 2 to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 concerning amendment of the designation of the food additive E 960a steviol glycosides from Stevia (formerly E 960 steviol glycosides) and for the addition of E 960c rebaudioside M produced via enzyme modification of steviol glycosides from Stevia

- 1. In Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008, Annex 2 (domestic list of food additives approved for use in foods) is amended as follows.
  - 2. In Part B (list of all additives), in paragraph 2 (sweeteners), in the table—
    - (a) for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a | Steviol glycosides from Stevia"; |  |
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(b) in the appropriate place, insert the following entry—

| "E 960c | Enzymatically produced steviol glycosides". |
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- **3.** In Part C (definitions of groups of additives), in paragraph 5 (other additives that may be regulated combined), after sub-paragraph (u) insert—
  - "(v) E 960a and E 960c: Steviol glycosides

| E-number | Name  |
|----------|---|
| E 960a   | Steviol glycosides from Stevia              |
| Е 960с   | Enzymatically produced steviol glycosides". |

- 4. In Part E (authorised food additives and conditions of use in food categories), in the table—
  - (a) in category 01.4 (flavoured fermented milk products including heat-treated products), for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 100 | (1) (60) | only energy-reduced |
|---------------|--------------------|-----|----------|---------------------|
| 960c          |                    |     |          | products or with no |
|               |                    |     |          | added sugar";       |

(b) in category 03 (edible ices), for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 200 | (1) (60) | only energy-reduced |
|---------------|--------------------|-----|----------|---------------------|
| 960c          |                    |     |          | products or with no |
|               |                    |     |          | added sugar";       |

(c) in category 04.2.2 (fruit and vegetables in vinegar, oil or brine), for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 100 | (1) (60) | only      | sweet-sour   |
|---------------|--------------------|-----|----------|-----------|--------------|
| 960c          |                    |     |          | preserves | of fruit and |
|               |                    |     |          | vegetable | s";          |

(d) in category 04.2.4.1 (fruit and vegetable preparations excluding compote), for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

|     | "E 960a and 960c            | E Steviol glycosides                                   | 200             | (1) (60)         | only energy-reduced";  |
|-----|-----------------------------|--|-----------------|------------------|--|
| (e) | in category (glycosides) su | 04.2.5.1 (extra jam and abstitute—                     | l extra jelly)  | , for the entry  | for "E 960" (Steviol   |
|     | "E 960a and 960c            | E Steviol glycosides                                   | 200             | (1) (60)         | only energy-reduced jams, jellies and marmalades";   |
| (f) |                             | 4.2.5.2 (jam, jellies and 60" (Steviol glycosides      |                 |                  | chestnut purée), for the   |
|     | "E 960a and 960c            | E Steviol glycosides                                   | 200             | (1) (60)         | only energy-reduced jams, jellies and marmalades";   |
| (g) |                             | 04.2.5.3 (other similar glycosides) substitute—        |                 | etable spreads)  | , for the entry for "E   |
|     | "E 960a and 960c            | E Steviol glycosides                                   | 200             | (1) (60)         | only energy-reduced<br>fruit or vegetable<br>spreads and dried-<br>fruit-based sandwich<br>spreads, energy-<br>reduced or with no<br>added sugar"; |
| (h) | in category (glycosides) su | 05.1 (cocoa and chocoabstitute—                        | late products)  | , for the entry  | for "E 960" (Steviol   |
|     | "E 960a and 960c            | E Steviol glycosides                                   | 270             | (1) (60)         | only energy-reduced or with no added sugar";   |
| (i) |                             | 5.2 (other confectionery<br>first entry for "E 960" (S | _               | _                |  |
|     | 'E 960a and E<br>960c       | Steviol glycosides                                     | 270             | (1) (60)         | only cocoa or dried-<br>fruit-based, energy-<br>reduced or with no<br>added sugar";  |
|     | (ii) for the s              | second entry for "E 960"                               | " (Steviol glyo | cosides) substit | ute—   |
| - 1 | E 960a and E<br>960c        | Steviol glycosides                                     | 330             | (1) (60)         | only cocoa, milk,<br>dried-fruit-based or<br>fat-based sandwich<br>spreads, energy-<br>reduced or with no<br>added sugar";                         |

## (iii) for the third entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E<br>960c | Steviol glycosides | 350 | (1) (60) | only confectionery<br>with no added sugar  |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----|----------|--|
|                       |                    |     |          | only energy-reduced<br>hard confectionery<br>such as candies and<br>lollies  |
|                       |                    |     |          | only energy-reduced<br>soft confectionery<br>such as chewy<br>candies, fruit<br>gums and foam<br>sugar products/<br>marshmallows |
|                       |                    |     |          | only energy-reduced liquorice  |
|                       |                    |     |          | only energy-reduced nougat   |
|                       |                    |     |          | only energy-reduced marzipan";   |

(iv) for the fourth entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E Steviol glycosides 2000 ( |  | only<br>freshening<br>microsweets,<br>reduced or v<br>added sugar"; |  |
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(v) for the fifth entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E 960c | Steviol glycosides | 670 | (1) (60) | throat<br>energy-red | strongly<br>freshening<br>pastilles,<br>luced or<br>ded sugar"; |
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(j) in category 05.3 (chewing gum), for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 3300 | (1) (60) | only with no added |
|---------------|--------------------|------|----------|--------------------|
| 960c          |                    |      |          | sugar";            |

- (k) in category 05.4 (decorations, coatings and fillings, except fruit-based fillings covered by category 4.2.4)—
  - (i) for the first entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| - 1 | 'E 960a and E<br>960c         | Steviol glycosides                              | 330                  | (1) (60)         | only confectionery with no added sugar";  |
|-----|-------------------------------|---|----------------------|------------------|---|
|     | (ii) for the s                | econd entry for "E 960                          | " (Steviol gly       | cosides) subst   | itute—  |
|     | 'E 960a and E<br>960c         | Steviol glycosides                              | 270                  | (1) (60)         | only cocoa or dried-<br>fruit-based, energy-<br>reduced or with no<br>added sugar";   |
| (l) | in category 0 substitute—     | 6.3 (breakfast cereals                          | ), for the er        | ntry for "E 96   | 60" (Steviol glycosides)  |
|     | "E 960a and I<br>960c         | E Steviol glycosides                            | 330                  | (1) (60)         | only breakfast cereals with a fibre content of more than 15%, and containing at least 20% bran, energy-reduced or with no added sugar"; |
| (m) | in category 0 substitute—     | 7.2 (fine bakery ware                           | s), for the e        | ntry for "E 90   | 60" (Steviol glycosides)  |
|     | "E 960a and 1<br>960c         | E Steviol glycosides                            | 330                  | (1) (60)         | only essoblaten – wafer paper";   |
| (n) |                               | .2 (processed fish and for "E 960" (Steviol gly |                      |                  | olluses and crustaceans),   |
|     | "E 960a and I<br>960c         | E Steviol glycosides                            | 200                  | (1) (60)         | only sweet-sour<br>preserves and semi<br>preserves of fish<br>and marinades of<br>fish, crustaceans and<br>molluscs";                   |
| (o) | in category 11 glycosides) su |   | ers in liquid 1      | form), for the e | ntry for "E 960" (Steviol   |
|     | "E 960a and l                 | E Steviol glycosides                            | quantum<br>satis(15) | (60)";           |   |
| (p) | in category 11 glycosides) su |   | ers in powder        | form), for the   | entry for "E 960" (Steviol  |
|     | "E 960a and l                 | E Steviol glycosides                            | quantum<br>satis     | (60)";           |   |
|     |                               |   |                      | '                |   |

<sup>(15) &</sup>quot;quantum satis" is defined in Article 3(2)(h) of EUR 2008/1333.

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| (q) | in category | 11.4.3   | (table-top | sweeteners | in | tablets), | for | the | entry | for | "Е | 960" | (Steviol |
|-----|-------------|----------|------------|------------|----|-----------|-----|-----|-------|-----|----|------|----------|
|     | glycosides) | substitu | ıte—       |            |    |           |     |     |       |     |    |      |          |

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | quantum | (60)"; |  |
|---------------|--------------------|---------|--------|--|
| 960c          |                    | satis   |        |  |

(r) in category 12.4 (mustard), for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 120 | (1) (60)"; |  |
|---------------|--------------------|-----|------------|--|
| 960c          |                    |     |            |  |

(s) in category 12.5 (soups and broths), for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 40 | (1) (60) | only energy-reduced |
|---------------|--------------------|----|----------|---------------------|
| 960c          |                    |    |          | soups";             |

- (t) in category 12.6 (sauces)—
  - (i) for the first entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 120 | (1) (60) | except      | soy-bean  |
|---------------|--------------------|-----|----------|-------------|-----------|
| 960c          |                    |     |          | sauce (ferm | ented and |
|               |                    |     |          | non-fermen  | ted)";    |

(ii) for the second entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

|      | Steviol glycosides | 175 | ` / ` / | only soy-bean sauce |
|------|--------------------|-----|---------|---------------------|
| 960c |                    |     |         | (fermented and non- |
|      |                    |     |         | fermented)";        |

- (u) in category 13.2 (dietary foods for special medical purposes (excluding products from food category 13.1.5))—
  - (i) for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 330 | (1) (60)"; |  |
|---------------|--------------------|-----|------------|--|
| 960c          |                    |     |            |  |

- (ii) in the entry for "E 960" (Advantame), for "E 960" substitute "E 969";
- (v) in category 13.3 (dietary foods for weight control diets intended to replace total daily food intake or an individual meal)—
  - (i) for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 270 | (1) (60)"; |  |
|---------------|--------------------|-----|------------|--|
| 960c          |                    |     |            |  |

- (ii) in the entry for "E 960" (Advantame), for "E 960" substitute "E 969";
- (w) in category 14.1.3 (fruit nectars and vegetable nectars and similar products), for the entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

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except

for

6%)

|     | "E 960a and E<br>960c       | Steviol glycosides      | 100          | (1) (60)           | only energy-reduced<br>or with no added<br>sugar   |
|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--|
|     |                             | (1): The additives m    | ay be added  | d individually or  | in combination";   |
| (x) | in category 14 substitute—  | 1.1.4 (flavoured drink  | s), for the  | entry for "E 96    | 0" (Steviol glycosides)  |
|     | "E 960a and E<br>960c       | Steviol glycosides      | 80           | (1) (60)           | only energy-reduced or with no added sugar";   |
| (y) | in category 14.             | 1.5.2 (other)—          | 1            | 1                  |  |
|     | (i) for the fir             | rst entry for "E 960" ( | Steviol glyc | osides) substitute | <del>-</del>   |
|     | E 960a and E 5              | Steviol glycosides      | 30           | (1) (60) (93)      | only coffee, tea<br>and herbal infusion<br>beverages, energy-<br>reduced or with no<br>added sugar";                                 |
|     | (ii) for the se             | cond entry for "E 960   | " (Steviol g | lycosides) substi  | tute—  |
|     | E 960a and E 5              | Steviol glycosides      | 30           | (1) (60) (93)      | only flavoured instant<br>coffee and instant<br>cappuccino products,<br>energy-reduced or<br>with no added sugar";                   |
|     | (iii) for the th            | ird entry for "E 960" ( | Steviol gly  | cosides) substitut | e—   |
|     | E 960a and E 5              | Steviol glycosides      | 20           | (1) (60) (93)      | only malt-based and chocolate/cappuccino flavoured drinks, energy-reduced or with no added sugar";                                   |
| (z) | in category 14. substitute— | 2.1 (beer and malt bevo | erages), for | the entry for "E 9 | 60" (Steviol glycosides)   |
|     | "E 960a and E<br>960c       | Steviol glycosides      | 70           | (1) (60)           | only alcohol-free<br>beer or with<br>an alcohol content<br>not exceeding 1.2%<br>volume; "Bière de<br>table"/ "Tafelbier"/<br>"Table |

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|      |  |  |                          |   | "Obergäriges Einfachbier"; beers with a minimum acidity of 30 milli- equivalents expressed as NaOH; Brown beers of the "oud bruin" type"; |
|------|--|--|--------------------------|---|---|
| (aa) | non-alcoholic  | *  | ith less that            | •   | of alcoholic drinks with ol), for the entry for "E  |
|      | "E 960a and E<br>960c  | E Steviol glycosides   | 150                      | (1) (60)";  |   |
| (bb) |  | 5.1 (potato-, cereal-, glycosides) substitute-                                   |                          | arch-based snacl  | cs), for the entry for "E   |
|      | "E 960a and E<br>960c  | E Steviol glycosides   | 20                       | (1) (60)";  |   |
| (cc) | in category 1 substitute—  | 5.2 (processed nuts)   | , for the                | entry for "E 96   | 60" (Steviol glycosides)  |
|      | "E 960a and E  | E Steviol glycosides   | 20                       | (1) (60)";  |   |
|      | 960c   |  |                          |   |   |
| (dd) | in category 16   | (desserts excluding preteriol glycosides) sub-                                   |                          |   | s 1, 3 and 4), for the entry  |
| (dd) | in category 16   | teviol glycosides) sub   |                          |   | only energy-reduced or with no added sugar";  |
|      | in category 16 for "E 960" (S  "E 960a and E 960c  in category 17.   | E Steviol glycosides   | ostitute—<br>100         | ered in categories (1) (60)                             | only energy-reduced or with no added  |
|      | in category 16 for "E 960" (S  "E 960a and E 960c  in category 17 for infants and                                  | E Steviol glycosides  Steviol glycosides  1 (food supplements                    | 100 supplied in          | (1) (60) a solid form, exc                              | only energy-reduced<br>or with no added<br>sugar";  |
| (ee) | in category 16 for "E 960" (S  "E 960a and E 960c  in category 17 for infants and (i) for the fi                   | E Steviol glycosides  1 (food supplements young children)—                       | 100 supplied in          | (1) (60) a solid form, exc                              | only energy-reduced<br>or with no added<br>sugar";  |
| (ee) | in category 16 for "E 960" (S  "E 960a and E 960c  in category 17 for infants and (i) for the fi  E 960a and E 60c | E Steviol glycosides  1 (food supplements young children)— rst entry for "E 960" | supplied in (Steviol gly | (1) (60) a solid form, exc cosides) substitu (1) (60)"; | only energy-reduced or with no added sugar";  |

for infants and young children)—
(i) for the first entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

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| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 200 | (1) (60)"; |  |
|---------------|--------------------|-----|------------|--|
| 960c          |                    |     |            |  |

(ii) for the second entry for "E 960" (Steviol glycosides) substitute—

| "E 960a and E | Steviol glycosides | 1800 | (1) (60) | only fo            | od |
|---------------|--------------------|------|----------|--------------------|----|
| 960c          |                    |      |          | supplements in syr | up |
|               |                    |      |          | form".             |    |

#### SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 3

Amendments to Annex to Regulation (EU) No 231/2012 concerning the specification for E 960a steviol glycosides from Stevia (formerly E 960 steviol glycosides) and for the addition of a specification for E 960c rebaudioside M produced via enzyme modification of steviol glycosides from Stevia

- 1. In Commission Regulation (EU) No 231/2012, the Annex (specifications for food additives including colours and sweeteners listed in Annexes 2 and 3 to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008) is amended as follows.
  - 2. For the heading of the entry for "E 960 STEVIOL GLYCOSIDES" substitute—

## "E 960a STEVIOL GLYCOSIDES FROM STEVIA"

3. In the appropriate place, insert the following entry—

# "E 960c REBAUDIOSIDE M PRODUCED VIA ENZYME MODIFICATION OF STEVIOL GLYCOSIDES FROM STEVIA

| Synonyms   |   |
|------------|---|
| Definition | Rebaudioside M is a steviol glycoside composed predominantly of rebaudioside M with minor amounts of other steviol glycosides such as rebaudioside A, rebaudioside B, rebaudioside D, rebaudioside I, and stevioside.   |
|            | Rebaudioside M is obtained via enzymatic bioconversion of purified steviol glycoside leaf extracts (95% steviol glycosides) of the <i>Stevia rebaudiana</i> Bertoni plant using UDP-glucosyltransferase and sucrose synthase enzymes produced by the genetically modified yeasts <i>K. phaffi</i> (formerly known as <i>Pichia pastoris</i> ) UGT-a and <i>K. phaffi</i> UGT-b that facilitate the transfer of glucose from sucrose and UDP-glucose to steviol glycosides via glycosidic bonds. |
|            | After removal of the enzymes by solid-liquid separation and heat treatment, the purification involves concentration of the rebaudioside M by resin adsorption, followed by recrystallisation of rebaudioside M resulting in a final product containing not less than 95% of rebaudioside M. Viable cells or the DNA of the yeasts <i>K. phaffi</i> UGT-a or <i>K. phaffi</i> UGT-b must not be detected in the food additive.   |

| Chemical name               | Rebaudioside M: 13-[(2-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-3-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl)oxy]kaur-16-en-18-oic acid, 2-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-3-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl ester |   |                          |  |
|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------------------|--|
| Molecular                   | Trivial name   | Formula   | Conversion factor        |  |
| formula                     | Rebaudioside M   | C <sub>56</sub> H <sub>90</sub> O <sub>33</sub> | 0.25                     |  |
| Molecular<br>weight and CAS | Trivial name   | CAS Number                                      | Molecular weight (g/mol) |  |
| number                      | Rebaudioside M   | 1220616-44-3                                    | 1291.29                  |  |
| Assay                       | Not less than 95% rebaudios  | side M on the dried basis                       | ,                        |  |
| Description                 | White to light yellow power sweeter than sucrose (at 5%  |   | 200 and 350 times        |  |
| Identification              | Identification   |   |                          |  |
| Solubility                  | Freely soluble to slightly soluble in water  |   |                          |  |
| рН                          | Between 4.5 and 7.0 (1 in 100 solution)  |   |                          |  |
| Purity                      |  |   |                          |  |
| Total ash                   | Not more than 1%   |   |                          |  |
| Loss on drying              | Not more than 6% (105°C, 2h)   |   |                          |  |
| Residual solvent            | Not more than 5000 mg/kg ethanol   |   |                          |  |
| Arsenic                     | Not more than 0.015 mg/kg  |   |                          |  |
| Lead                        | Not more than 0.2 mg/kg  |   |                          |  |
| Cadmium                     | Not more than 0.015 mg/kg  |   |                          |  |
| Mercury                     | Not more than 0.07 mg/kg   |   |                          |  |
| Residual protein            | Not more than 5 mg/kg  |   |                          |  |
| Particle size               | Not less than 74 μm (using 74 μm)"   | a mesh #200 sieve with a                        | particle size limit of   |  |

## SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 5

Amendments to the domestic list of flavouring substances in Annex 1 to Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008 for the addition of 3-(1-((3,5-dimethylisoxazol-4-yl)methyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-4-yl)-1-(3-hydroxybenzyl)imidazolidine-2,4-dione

- 1. In Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008, Annex 1 (domestic list of flavourings and source materials) is amended as follows.
- **2.** In Part A (domestic list of flavouring substances), in Section 2, in Table 1, in the appropriate place insert the following entry—

| "16.127 | 3-(1-<br>((3,5-<br>dimethylis<br>yl)methyl)   |         |           |        | At least 99%,<br>assay (HPLC/<br>UV) |   | f<br>a | The Authority(16) |
|---------|---|---------|-----------|--------|--------------------------------------|---|--------|-------------------|
|         | pyrazol-4-<br>yl)-1-(3-<br>hydroxybe<br>dione | nzyl)im | idazolidi | ne-2,4 | -                                    | In category 1.4 -<br>not more than a<br>mg/kg   |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 1.8 -<br>not more than 8<br>mg/kg   |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 3 -<br>not more than 4<br>mg/kg     |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 5.1 -<br>not more than 1:<br>mg/kg  |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 5.2 -<br>not more than 10<br>mg/kg  |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 5.3 -<br>not more than 30<br>mg/kg  |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 5.4 -<br>not more than 1:<br>mg/kg  |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 6.3 -<br>not more than 25<br>mg/kg  |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 12.7  – not more than 75 mg/kg      |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 12.2 – not more than 100 mg/kg      |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 12.3<br>– not more than<br>25 mg/kg |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 12.4  – not more than 25 mg/kg      |        |                   |
|         |   |         |           |        |                                      | In category 12.5<br>– not more than a<br>mg/kg  |        |                   |

 $<sup>\</sup>textbf{(16)} \quad \text{``Authority'' is defined in Article 3(2)(l) of EUR 2008/1334.}$ 

|  | In category 13.2<br>– not more than 4<br>mg/kg                                  |  |
|--|---|--|
|  | In category 13.3  – not more than 4 mg/kg                                       |  |
|  | In category<br>14.1.4, dairy-<br>based drinks only<br>– not more than 4<br>mg/l |  |
|  | In category<br>14.1.5 – not more<br>than 8 mg/kg                                |  |
|  | In category 15.1  – not more than 20 mg/kg                                      |  |
|  | In category 16, dairy-based desserts only – not more than 4 mg/l".              |  |

## **SCHEDULE 4**

Regulation 6

Amendments to the list of novel foods in the Annex to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 for the authorisation of UV-treated baker's yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*) as a novel food

- **1.** In Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470, the Annex (list of novel foods) is amended as follows.
- **2.** In Table 1 (authorised novel foods), for the entry for "UV-treated baker's yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*)" substitute—

| "UV-treated baker's yeast  | category  | Maximum levels of vitamin D <sub>2</sub> | must be   |           |
|----------------------------|---|--|---|-----------|
| (Saccharomyces cerevisiae) | Yeast-leavened breads and rolls                                 | 5 μg/100 g                               | The inactivated for use in infant designation of formula, follow- |           |
|                            | Yeast-leavened<br>fine bakery<br>wares                          | 5 μg/100 g                               | on the labelling of food containing it food for special           | ıl-<br>nd |
|                            | Food<br>supplements as<br>defined in the<br>Food<br>Supplements | _  | is "vitamin medical purposes."                                    |           |

| (Wales)<br>Regulations<br>2003(17)            | applying in relation to Wales and made under regulation 4 of the Nutrition (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019(18) |   |
|---|--|---|
| Pre-packed fresh or dry yeast for home baking | 45 μg/100 g for fresh yeast 200 μg/100 g for dry yeast   | The designation of the novel food on the labelling of food containing it is "vitamin D yeast" or "vitamin $D_2$ yeast".  The labelling of the novel food must bear a statement that the food is only intended for baking and should not be eaten raw.  The labelling of the novel food must bear instructions for use for the final consumer to ensure a maximum concentration of $5\mu g/100g$ of vitamin $D_2$ in the final home-baked product is not exceeded. |
| Dishes,<br>including<br>ready-to-eat<br>meals | 3 μg/100 g   | The designation of the novel food on the labelling  |

<sup>(17)</sup> S.I. 2003/1719 (W. 186), to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations. (18) S.I. 2019/651, amended by S.I. 2020/1476 and 2023/28.

| (excluding soups and salads)  |  |
|---|--|
| Soups and salads  | 5 μg/100 g                                     |
| Fried or extruded cereal, seed or root-based products   | 5 μg/100 g                                     |
| Infant formula<br>and follow-<br>on formula<br>as defined<br>in Regulation<br>(EU) No<br>609/2013(19) | In accordance with Regulation (EU) No 609/2013 |
| Processed<br>cereal-based<br>food as defined<br>in Regulation<br>(EU) No<br>609/2013                  | In accordance with Regulation (EU) No 609/2013 |
| Processed fruit products  | 1.5 μg/100 g                                   |
| Processed vegetables  | 2 μg/100 g                                     |
| Bread and similar products  | 5 μg/100 g                                     |
| Breakfast cereals   | 4 μg/100 g                                     |
| Pasta, doughs<br>and similar<br>products  | 5 μg/100 g                                     |
| Other cereal-<br>based products   | 3 μg/100 g                                     |
| Spices,<br>seasonings,<br>condiments,<br>sauce<br>ingredients,<br>dessert sauces/<br>toppings         | 10 μg/100 g                                    |
| Protein products  | 10 μg/100 g                                    |

of food containing it is "vitamin D yeast" or "vitamin D<sub>2</sub> yeast".

 $<sup>\</sup>textbf{(19)} \ \ EUR\ 2013/609, amended\ by\ S.I.\ 2019/651\ and\ 2023/28.\ S.I.\ 2019/651\ was\ amended\ by\ S.I.\ 2020/1476\ and\ 2023/28.$ 

| Cheese  | 2 μg/100 g  |
|---|---|
| Dairy desserts<br>and similar<br>products   | 2 μg/100 g  |
| Fermented milk<br>or fermented<br>cream   | 1.5 µg/100 g  |
| Dairy powders<br>and<br>concentrates  | 25 μg/100 g   |
| Milk-based products, whey and cream   | 0.5 μg/100 g  |
| Meat and dairy analogues  | 2.5 μg/100 g  |
| Total diet replacement for weight control as defined in Regulation (EU) No 609/2013 | 5 μg/100 g  |
| Meal replacement for weight control   | 5 μg/100 g  |
| Food for special medical purposes as defined in Regulation (EU) No 609/2013         | In accordance with the particular nutritional requirements of the persons for whom the products are intended" |

**3.** In Table 2 (specifications) for the entry for "UV-treated baker's yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*)" substitute—

| "UV-treated baker's  | Description/Definition  |
|----------------------|---|
| yeast (Saccharomyces |   |
| cerevisiae)          | Baker's yeast ( <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> ) is treated with ultraviolet light to induce the conversion of ergosterol to vitamin $D_2$ (ergocalciferol). Vitamin $D_2$ content in the yeast concentrate varies between $800,000$ - $3,500,000$ IU vitamin $D/100$ g ( $200-875$ $\mu g/g$ ). |
|                      | The yeast is inactivated for use in infant formula, follow-on formula, processed cereal-based food, and food for special  |
|                      | 10  |

medical purposes as defined in Regulation (EU) No 609/2013. The yeast can be active or inactive for use in other foods.

The yeast concentrate is blended with regular baker's yeast in order not to exceed the maximum level in the pre-packed fresh or dry yeast for home baking.

Tan-coloured, free-flowing granules.

## Vitamin D<sub>2</sub>

Chemical name: (5Z,7E,22E)-(3S)-9,10-secoergosta-5,7,10(19),22-tetraen-3-ol

Synonym: Ergocalciferol

CAS No.: 50-14-6

Molecular weight: 396.65 g/mol

## Microbiological criteria for the yeast concentrate

Coliforms:  $\leq 10^3 \, \text{CFU/g}$ 

*Escherichia coli*: ≤ 10 CFU/g

Salmonella spp.: Absence in 25 g

CFU: Colony Forming Units".

## SCHEDULE 5

Regulation 6

Amendments to the list of novel foods in the Annex to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 for the authorisation of vitamin D<sub>2</sub> mushroom powder as a novel food

- **1.** In Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470, the Annex (list of novel foods) is amended as follows.
- **2.** In Table 1 (authorised novel foods), after the entry for "Vitamin  $D_2$  mushroom powder" insert the following entry—

| "Vitamin D <sub>2</sub> mushroom powder | Specified food category                         | Maximum levels of vitamin D 2 | The designation of the novel food      | Included in the list on 15 May 2023.                         |
|---|---|-------------------------------|--|--|
|   | Breakfast cereals                               | 2.1 μg/100 g                  | on the labelling of food containing it | This inclusion is based on                                   |
|   | Yeast-leavened<br>bread and<br>similar pastries | 2.1 μg/100 g                  | is "UV-treated<br>mushroom<br>powder   | proprietary<br>scientific<br>evidence and<br>scientific data |

| Grain products<br>and pasta<br>and similar                 | 2.1 μg/100 g  | containing vitamin D <sub>2</sub> ".   |
|--|---|--|
| products   |   | The labelling of food  |
| Fruit / vegetable juices and nectars                       | 1.1 µg/100 ml (marketed as such or reconstituted as instructed by the manufacturer) | supplements,<br>as defined<br>in the Food<br>Supplements<br>(Wales)<br>Regulations<br>2003,              |
| Dairy products<br>and analogues<br>other than<br>beverages | 2.1 µg/100 g (marketed as such or reconstituted as instructed by the manufacturer)  | containing vitamin D <sub>2</sub> mushroom powder must bear a statement that they should not be consumed |
| Dairy products<br>and analogues<br>as beverages            | 1.1 µg/100 ml (marketed as such or reconstituted as instructed by the manufacturer) | by infants and children under 3 years of age.  |
| Milk and dairy<br>powders                                  | 21.3 µg/100 g (marketed as such or reconstituted as instructed by the manufacturer) |  |
| Meat analogues   | 2.1 μg/100 g  |  |
| Soups  | 2.1 µg/100 ml (marketed as such or reconstituted as instructed by the manufacturer) |  |
| Extruded vegetable snack                                   | 2.1 μg/100 g  |  |
| Meal replacement for weight control                        | 2.1 μg/100 g  |  |
| Food for special medical                                   | In accordance with the  |  |

containing vitamin  $D_2$ ".

The labelling of food supplements, as defined

protected in accordance with Article 26 of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283.

Applicant: MBio, Monaghan Mushrooms, Tullygony, Tyholland, Co. Monaghan, Ireland, H18 FW95.

During the period of data protection, vitamin D<sub>2</sub> mushroom powder is authorised for placing on the market, within Wales, only by MBio, Monaghan Mushrooms unless a subsequent applicant obtains authorisation for the novel food without reference to the proprietary scientific evidence or scientific data protected in accordance with Article 26 of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 or with the agreement of MBio,

| Regulation (EU) No 609/2013   | nutritional requirements of the persons for whom the products are | Monaghan Mushrooms.  The data protection will expire at the end of 14 May 2028. |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
|                               |   | 2026.   |
| children under 3 years of age |   |   |

3. In Table 2, (specifications), after the entry for "Vitamin  $D_2$  mushroom powder" insert the following entry—

|                 | Description/Definition  |
|-----------------|---|
| mushroom powder | The novel food is mushroom powder produced from dried whole <i>Agaricus bisporus</i> mushrooms. The process includes drying, milling and the controlled exposure of the mushroom powder to ultraviolet light. |
|                 | Characteristics/Composition   |
|                 | Vitamin D <sub>2</sub> content: 580-595 μg/g of mushroom powder   |
|                 | Ash: ≤ 13.5%  |
|                 | Water activity: < 0.5   |
|                 | Moisture content: ≤ 7.5%  |
|                 | Carbohydrates: ≤ 35%  |
|                 | Total dietary fibre: ≥ 15%  |
|                 | Crude protein (N x 6.25): $\geq$ 22%  |
|                 | Fat: ≤ 4.5%   |
|                 | Heavy metals  |

Lead:  $\leq 0.5 \text{ mg/kg}$ 

Cadmium:  $\leq 0.5 \text{ mg/kg}$ 

Mercury:  $\leq 0.1 \text{ mg/kg}$ 

Arsenic:  $\leq 0.3 \text{ mg/kg}$ 

## **Mycotoxins**

Aflatoxin B1:  $\leq 0.1 \, \mu g/kg$ 

Aflatoxins (sum of B1 + B2 + G1 + G2):  $< 4 \mu g/kg$ 

## Microbiological criteria

Total plate count: ≤ 5000 CFU

Total yeast and mould count: ≤ 100 CFU/g

Escherichia coli: < 10 CFU/g

Salmonellaspp.: Absence in 25 g

*Staphylococcus aureus*: ≤ 10 CFU/g

Coliforms: ≤ 10 CFU/g

Listeria spp.: Absence in 25 g

Enterobacteriaceae: < 10 CFU/g

CFU: Colony Forming Units".

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision, in relation to Wales, on regulated food product authorisations. They also make minor corrections to various Welsh subordinate instruments on food law and animal feed law.

Part 2 of these Regulations (regulations 2 to 4 and Schedules 1 and 2) is made in exercise of powers in Regulation (EC) No 1331/2008 establishing a common authorisation procedure for food additives, food enzymes and food flavourings (EUR 2008/1331). Together, the amendments made in Part 2 of these Regulations provide for the authorisation, in relation to Wales, of the placing on the market and use of the food additive E 960c rebaudioside M produced via enzyme modification

of steviol glycosides from Stevia. The existing authorisation entries for food additive E 960 steviol glycosides are changed to reflect the amended name and E-number E 960a steviol glycosides from Stevia.

Regulation 2 and Schedule 1 update, in relation to Wales, the domestic list of food additives approved for use in foods in Annex 2 of Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 on food additives (EUR 2008/1333). Schedule 1 also corrects the E-number in two entries in that Annex for the food additive E 969 Advantame.

Regulation 3 and Schedule 2 amend, in relation to Wales, Commission Regulation (EU) No 231/2012 laying down specifications for food additives listed in Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 (EUR 2012/231).

Regulation 4 contains a transitional provision that allows for an 18-month period within which stocks of products may still be labelled as E 960 steviol glycosides, or as containing E 960 steviol glycosides. Stocks that are labelled within that timeframe may be placed on the market and used until those stocks are exhausted.

Part 3 of these Regulations (regulation 5 and Schedule 3) is also made in exercise of powers in EUR 2008/1331. Regulation 5 and Schedule 3 update, in relation to Wales, the domestic list of flavouring substances in Annex 1 to Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008 on flavourings and certain food ingredients with flavouring properties for use in and on foods (EUR 2008/1334). These amendments provide for authorisation, in relation to Wales, of the placing on the market and use of the food flavouring 3-(1-((3,5-dimethylisoxazol-4-yl)methyl)-1*H*-pyrazol-4-yl)-1-(3-hydroxybenzyl)imidazolidine-2,4-dione.

Part 4 of these Regulations (regulation 6 and Schedules 4 and 5) is made in exercise of powers in Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 on novel foods (EUR 2015/2283). Regulation 6 and Schedules 4 and 5 update, in relation to Wales, the list of authorised novel foods in Annex 1 to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 establishing the Union list of novel foods (EUR 2017/2470):

- Schedule 4 substitutes the entry for UV-treated baker's yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*), extending the specified food categories for which that novel food is authorised.
- Schedule 5 inserts a new entry, authorising the placing on the market of a new vitamin D<sub>2</sub> mushroom powder as a novel food for use in the specified food categories.

Part 5 of these Regulations (regulations 7, 8 and 9) contains minor corrections to various Welsh Subordinate instruments on food law and animal feed law. Regulations 7 and 8 are made in exercise of powers in the Food Safety Act 1990 (c. 16). Regulation 9 is made in exercise of powers in the Agriculture Act 1970 (c. 40).

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations.