

PREVENTION OF FOOD ADULTERATION

Notification: G.S.R.761(E)

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The following draft of certain rules further to amend the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955, which the Central Government, after consultation with the Central Committee for Food Standards, proposes to make, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 23 of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (37 of 1954), is hereby published, as required by the said sub-section, for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby, and notice is hereby given that the said draft rules shall be taken into consideration after the expiry of a period of sixty days from the date on which copies of this Official Gazette in which this notification is published, are made available to the public;

Objection or suggestions, if any, may be addressed to the Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi – 110011;

The objection and suggestions, which may be received from any person with respect to the said draft rules before the expiry of the period so specified, will be considered by the Central Government.

DRAFT RULES

1. (1) These rules may be called the **Prevention of Food Adulteration (7th Amendment) Rules, 2009.**

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in Rule 42,-

(a) after sub-rule (ZZZ)(12), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:

“(ZZZ)(12A) -Every package of food which is permitted to contain a mixture of Acesulfame Potassium and Sucralose sweeteners mentioned in the Table given in rule 47, shall carry the following label, namely:

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| (i) | This..... (Name of Food) contains a mixture of Sucralose and Acesulfame Potassium; |
| (ii) | Not recommended for children; |
| [iii] | *[a] Quantity of sugar added gm / 100gm; |
| | *[b] No sugar added in the product; |
| | (*Strike out whichever is not applicable).”; |

(b) after sub-rule (ZZZ)(25), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:

“(ZZZ)(26) Every package of food containing polyols shall bear the following label.

Polyols may have laxative effect.”

3. In the said rules,

(a) in rule 47,

(i) in sub-rule (i) in the third proviso, for the words “six mg. per hundred mg. of tablet or granule”, the following words shall be substituted, namely:-

“six mg. per tablet or hundred mg. of granule.”;

(ii) in sub-rule (2), after the proviso, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:

“Provided further that in carbonated water, the combination of Sucralose and Acesulfame Potassium may be used in ratio not to exceed proportionate levels of the permissible levels allowed for these individual artificial sweeteners in carbonated water under label declaration as provided in sub-rule (ZZZ) (12A) of rule 42.”;

(b) after rule 47, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:-

“47-A. Restriction on use of polyols in foods. -No polyols shall be added to any article of food except specified in these rules and Appendix ‘C’ Polyols (maltitol / maltitol syrup) may be used in food articles mentioned in the Table given below and shall bear the label declaration as provided in sub-rule (ZZZ) (26) of rule 42,-

TABLE

Name of Polyols	Article of Food	Maximum Limit
(1)	(2)	(3)
Maltitol / Maltitol syrup	Bakery products, ice-cream, frozen desserts, jam, jellies and marmalades	GMP.”.

(4) in the said rules, in rule 61-AA,

- (i) the words “baked foods” and “snacks” shall be omitted;
- (ii) the following proviso shall be inserted at the end, namely:-

“Provided that modified food starches (derivative starches) may be used in snacks, frozen potato products, baked foods and salad dressing/mayonnaise upto a maximum concentration of 5 percent by weight.”.

(5) in the said rules, rule 61-F, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:

“61-F. Use of Hydroxypropyl Methyl Cellulose in various foods.- Hydroxypropyl Methyl Cellulose may be used in the following food products not exceeding in maximum level mentioned in column 3 of the Table given below:-

TABLE

S.No.	Article of Food	Maximum Level
(1)	(2)	(3)
(i)	Non-dairy whip topping	2.0 percent
(ii)	Snacks,savories, luncheonmeat and poultry products, instant mixes (idli mix, dosa mix, puliyogare mix, pongle mix, gulab jamun mix, jalebi mix, vada mix), salad dressing/mayonnaise, mixes for gravies, ice-cream, frozen desserts, puddings and custards	1.0 percent
(iii)	Mixes for dairy based drinks	0.5 percent.”.

(6) in the said rules, after rule 64-A, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:-

“64-AA. Use of anticaking agent in flavours.- Synthetic Amorphous Silicon Dioxide may be used in powder flavouring substances upto 2 percent maximum.”.

(7) in the said rules, after rule 72-D, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:-

“72-E. Use of Dimethyl Dicarbonate.-Dimethyl Dicarbonate may be used in fruit drinks, ready to drink tea beverages, isotonic/sports drinks and flavoured water upto 250 mg./litre subject to maximum methanol content in final product as 200 mg./litre.”.

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