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FSSAI Sets Draft Standards for Melamine in Infant and Other Foods

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Report Highlights:

The Government of India's (GOI) Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) amended the [Food Safety and Standards \(Contaminants, Toxins and Residues\) Regulations, 2011](#) to set maximum levels for melamine in infant and other foods. The GOI is currently seeking public comments for the draft regulations. The deadline for public comments is September 4, 2015.

Executive Summary:

FSSAI published [Food Safety and Standards \(Contaminants, Toxins and Residues\) Amendment Regulations, 2015](#) to set standards for melamine present in infant and other foods. To date, these draft regulations have not been notified to the World Trade Organization (WTO). However, FSSAI is accepting public comments from interested stakeholders through September 4, 2015.

General Information:

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On July 7, 2015, FSSAI issued a draft Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) Amendment Regulations, 2015. The amendment pertains to Chapter 2 of the [Food Safety and Standards \(Contaminants, Toxins and Residues\) Regulations, 2011](#) and includes the insertion of regulation 2.4 to set maximum levels for melamine in infant and other foods. The table as provided in the notification is given below.

Sl.No.	Name of the contaminants	Food	Maximum level (mg/kg)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	Melamine	Powdered infant formula	1.0
		Liquid infant formula	0.15
		Other foods	2.5"

The full text of the amendment as given in the FSSAI's notification published on July 7, 2015 is attached below and is also available on FSSAI's website: <http://www.fssai.gov.in/>.

Comments, in the format pasted below, should be sent to:

Chief Executive Officer
Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
Food and Drug Administration Bhawan, Kotla Road
New Delhi – 110002
Email: regulation@fssai.gov.in

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(FOOD SAFETY AND STANDARDS AUTHORITY OF INDIA)
NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 5th June, 2015

F. No. F.15025/264/13-PA/FSSAI—The following draft of certain regulations, further to amend the Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) Regulations, 2011, which the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India proposes to make, with previous approval of the Central Government, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (f) of sub-section (2) of Section 92 read with Section 20 and 21 of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 (34 of 2006) is hereby published as required by the said sub-section (2), for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby, and notice is hereby given that the said draft regulations shall be taken into consideration after the expiry of the period of sixty days from the date on which the copies of the Official Gazette in which this notification is published are made available to the public:

Objections or suggestions, if any, duly supported by scientific evidence, may be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, Food and Drug Administration Bhawan, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110002;

The objections and suggestions which may be received from any person with respect to the said draft regulations before the expiry of the period so specified shall be considered by the Food Authority.

Draft Regulations

1. (1) These regulations may be called the Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) (Amendment) Regulations, 2015.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their final notification in the Official Gazette.

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2. In the Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) Regulations, 2011, after regulation 2.3 relating to 'Residues' and the table there under, the following regulation and table shall be inserted,-

***2.4 Other Contaminants**

2.4.1: The amount of contaminants mentioned in column 2 on the foods mentioned in column 3, shall not exceed the Maximum Level prescribed in column 4 of the Table given below:

Table			
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		Liquid infant formula	0.15
		Other foods	2.5"

[ADVT.-III/6/Exty./187 O/15(105)]

YUDHIVIR SINGH MALIK, Chief Executive Officer

Note : The principal regulations were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary vide notification number F. No. 2-15015/30/2010, dated the 1st August, 2011 and subsequently amended vide F. No. 1-12/Sci.Panel/(Notification)/ FSSAI/2012 dated 3rd December, 2014.

Subject: Draft Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) Amendment Regulation, 2015 regarding standards of melamine in milk and milk products. [Amendment in the Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) Regulation, 2011: insertion of new Regulation 2.4 after 2.3].

FORMAT FOR SENDING THE COMMENTS/ SUGGESTIONS

Sr. no.	Name and address of the organisation/person, contact number and e-mail.	Relevant section in the draft notification on which comments are being provided	Comments/ suggestions	Rationale	Remarks

Date:

Place:

Name and Signature