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FOODSTUFFS, COSMETICS AND DISINFECTANTS ACT, 1972 (ACT NO. 54 OF 1972)

REGULATIONS GOVERNING MICROBIOLOGICAL STANDARDS FOR FOODSTUFFS AND RELATED MATTERS: AMENDMENT

The Minister of Health has, under section 15(1) of the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act No. 54 of 1972) made the regulations in the schedule.

SCHEDULE

1. In these regulations "the Regulations" means the regulations published under Government Notice No. R. 692 of 16 May 1997, as amended by Government Notice No. R. 427 of 5 May 2000, Government Notice No. R. 490 of 8 June 2001, Government Notice No. R. 1588 of 20 December 2002 and Government Notice No. R. 556 of 07 May 2004.

Amendment of regulation 1 of the Regulations

2. Regulation 1 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the insertion of the following definition after the definition of "egg product":

"fruit juice/nectar' means an unfermented, but fermentable pulpy or non-pulpy turbid or clear beverage intended for direct consumption, as obtained by a mechanical process from the blending of one or two or more species of sound ripe fruit or the flesh thereof, ground and/or sieved, concentrated or unconcentrated, with water and sugars;".

Amendment of regulation 9 of the Regulations

- 3. Regulation 9 of the Regulations is hereby amended by -
- (1) the deletion of paragraph (a)(i);
- (2) the deletion of the expression "and" after the expression "product" in paragraph(b)(ii); and
- (3) the addition of the following paragraph:

"(b)(iv) Bacillus cereus: 10³ per gram of the product".

Substitution of regulation 14 of the Regulations

- 4(1) The following regulation is hereby substituted for regulation 14:
- "14. No person shall sell for consumption fruit juice which -

- a) gives a total viable colony count of more than 10 000 colony forming units per
 1,0 ml of the product;
- b) gives a coliform organism count of more than 100 colony forming units per 1,0 ml of the product;
- c) gives a yeast and mould count of 1 000 colony forming units per 1,0 ml of the product;
- d) contains any detectable levels of E. coli in 1,0 ml of the product; and
- e) contains any detectable Salmonella spp. in 25 ml of the product".
- (2) the renumbering of the existing regulation 14 as regulation 15.

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