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Notification of the Ministry of Public Health

(No. 269) B.E. 2546 (2003)

Re: Prescribed Standards for β -Agonist Chemicals Group Contamination in Foods.

Apparently, the usage of β -Agonist chemicals group, which are used for dilation of trachea, relief asthma in human, in food production chains which is misused such as, use for decreasing fat and increasing meat of swine, etc. For the protection of consumers' s health from the hazard of the stipulated misused chemicals, it deems necessary to prescribe standards for β -Agonist chemical groups contamination in foods.

By the virtue of provisions of Section 5 and 6(3) and (9) of the Food Act B.E. 2522 (1979), in which contain provisions in relation to the restriction of Rights and Liberties of the Persons, in respect of which Section 29 and in conjunction with Section 35, Section 48 and Section 50 of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand so permit by virtue of provisions of law; the Minister of Public Health hereby issues the notification as follows:

Clause 1. Prescribed that all food products shall not be detected of contamination of β -Agonist chemical groups and its salts, including substances which are derived from its metabolites.

The analysis for contamination of β -Agonist as stipulated in the first phrase shall follow to the criteria, conditions and analytical methods which are prescribed by the Food and Drug Administration by the approval of the Food committee.

Clause 2. This notification shall come into force as from the day following date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Notified on 21st April 2003.

Signed Sudarat Keyurabhun

(Mrs. Sudarat Keyurabhun)

Minister of Public Health

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Announcement of the Food and Drug Administration

Re: Prescribed criteria, conditions, and analytical methods of some chemical contamination in foods.

As the guideline for analysis as prescribed in the notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No. 268) B.E. 2546 (2003), Re: Prescribed food standards for some chemicals contamination in foods, dated 21st April B.E. 2546 (2003), and (No. 269) B.E. 2546 (2003), Re: Prescribed standards for β -Agonist chemicals group contaminations in foods, dated 21st April B.E. 2546 (2003), shall be conformed in assessment and equal benefit to consumers protection and harmonized to international standards.

The Food and Drug Administration by the approval of the Food Committee hereby issues an announcement, Re: Prescribed criteria, conditions, and analytical methods as follows:

The analysis of contamination from some chemicals in foods as stipulated above in the notification of the Ministry of Public Health shall apply analytical methods and competent laboratories which are able to detect the quantities of contaminants at least to the prescribed level in the following table. And the existing contaminants in the foods, which follow to prescribed food standard in the notification of the Ministry of Public Health, shall be detected to the quantities lower than the prescribed level in this table.

Types of chemical	Quantities of chemical (μ gm. per kg.)
1. Chloramphenicol and its salts, including its metabolites	0.3
2. Nitrofurans metabolites, that is,	
(1) 3-Amino-2-oxazolidinone; AOZ, and Furazolidone metabolites.	0.3
(2) 5-Methylmorpholino-3-amino-2-oxazolidinone; AMOZ, and Furaltadone metabolites.	0.3
(3) Aminohydantoin; AHD, and Nitrofurantoin metabolites.	1.0
(4) Semicarbazide; SEM, and Nitrofurazone metabolite.	1.0
3. β -Agonist and its salts, and their metabolites.	1.0

Shall come into force as from the date in this announcement henceforth.

Announced on 24th April 2003.

Signed Supphachai Kunnarattanapruk
(Supphachai Kunnarattanapruk)

Secretary-General of Food and Drug Administration

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