

Standards for Use, according to Use Categories

effective from August 3, 2007

Major Use Category	Additives	Target Foods	Maximum Limits ppm	Limitation for Use
Acidifiers	Acetic Acid	All foods		
	Acetic Acid, Glacial			
	Adipic Acid			
	Citric Acid			
	Fumaric Acid			
	Gluconic Acid			
	Glucono- δ -Lactone			
	Lactic Acid			
	DL-Malic Acid			
	Succinic Acid			
	D-Tartaric Acid			
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Anti-caking	Ferrocyanides of Calcium, Potassium and Sodium	Salt	Individually or in combination, 0.020g/kg as anhydrous sodium ferrocyanide	
Anti-foaming agent	Silicone resin	All foods	0.050 g/kg	Only for defoaming.
Anti-molding agents	Diphenyl	Grapefruit Lemon Orange	as maximum residue limit	
			0.070 g/kg	
			0.070 g/kg	
	Imazalil	Banana Citrus fruits (except mandarin orange)	as maximum residue limit	
			0.0020 g/kg 0.0050 g/kg	
o-Phenylphenol	Citrus fruits	as maximum residue limit of o-phenylphenol		
Sodium o-Phenylphenol		0.010g /kg		
Thiabendazole	Banana (whole) Banana (pulp) Citrus fruits	as maximum residue limit 0.0030 g/kg 0.0004 g/kg 0.010 g/kg		
Antioxidants	L-Ascorbic Acid	All foods		
	L-Ascorbyl Palmitate			
	L-Ascorbyl Stearate			
	Butylated Hydroxyanisole (BHA)	Butter Fats & oils Fish & shellfish (dried) Fish & shellfish (salted) Fish & shellfish (frozen) (except frozen products consumed raw) Mashed potato (dried) Whale meat (frozen) (except frozen products consumed raw)	as BHA 0.2 g/kg 0.2 g/kg 0.2 g/kg 0.2 g/kg 1 g/kg of dip 0.2 g/kg 1 g/kg of dip	When BHA is used in combination with BHT, the total amount of both shall not exceed the corresponding limit.

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Antioxidants (continued)	Butylated Hydroxytoluene (BHT)	Butter	as BHA 0.2 g/kg	When BHA is used in combination with BHT, the total amount of both shall not exceed the corresponding limit.		
		Chewing gum	0.75 g/kg			
		Fats & oils	0.2 g/kg			
		Fish & shellfish (dried)	0.2 g/kg			
		Fish & shellfish (salted)	0.2 g/kg			
		Fish & shellfish (frozen) (except frozen products consumed raw)	1 g/kg of dip			
		Mashed potato (dried)	0.2 g/kg			
		Whale meat (frozen) (except frozen products consumed raw)	1 g/kg of dip			
		Calcium Disodium Ethylenediamine-tetraacetate	Canned and bottle non-alcoholic beverages Other canned and bottle foods		as EDTA-CaNa ₂ 0.035 g/kg 0.25 g/kg	
		L-Cysteine Monohydrochloride	Bread Fruit juice			
Disodium Ethylenediaminetetraacetate	Canned and bottle non-alcoholic beverages Other canned and bottled foods	as EDTA-CaNa ₂ 0.035 g/kg	Shall be chelated with calcium ino before the preparation of the finished food.			
		0.25 g/kg				
Erythroic Acid	All foods		Not permitted for nutritive purposes in fish paste products (excluding SURIMI) or bread. Only for antioxidizing purposes in other foods.			
Isopropyl Citrate	Butter Fats and oils	as monoisopropyl citrate 0.10 g/kg				
		0.10 g/kg				
Guaiac Resin	Butter Fats and oils	1.0 g/kg				
		1.0 g/kg				
Propyl Gallate	Butter Fats and oils	0.10 g/kg				
		0.20 g/kg				
Sodium L-Ascorbate	All foods					
Sodium Erythorbate	All foods		Not permitted for nutritive purposes in fish paste products (excluding SURIMI) or bread. Only for antioxidizing purposes in other foods.			
<i>d</i> - α -Tocopherol	All foods		Only for antioxidizing, except when included in preparation of β -Carotene, Vitamin A, Vitamin A Esters of Fatty Acids, or Liquid Paraffin.			

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Antisticking	D-Mannitol	Candies Chewing gum FURIKAKE (sprinkleover only products containing granules) RAKUGAN (dried rice-flour cakes) TSUKUDANI (food boiled down in soy sauce, only products made of KONBU (kelp)) All foods As CHOMIRYO (seasoning)*	40 % 20 % 50 % of granules 30 % 25 % (as maximum residue limit)	* When used in formula with Potassium Chloride and Glutamate for seasoning foods or enhancing their original flavor, no limits are specified. (only cases where D-Mannitol does not exceed 80 % of the sum of Potassium Chloride, Glutamates and D-Mannitol)
Bleaching agents	Hydrogen Peroxide	All foods		Shall be removed or decomposed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Sodium Chlorite	Cherry Citrus fruits (limited to those for confectionary) FUKI Grape Peach Eggs (limited to the part of egg shell) Seasoned and processed KAZUNOKO (Herring roe products) (except for dried KAZUNOKO and freezed KAZUNOKO) Vegetables for direct consumption	0.50 g/kg dipping solution (as sodium chlorite)	Decompose to remove prior to preparation of final food.
	Potassium Hydrogen Sulfite Solution		Residue limit of SO ₂	Not permitted in legumes/pulses, sesame seeds, or vegetables. When other foods (excluding KONNYAKU) manufactured or processed, using foods listed in this section, in which an additive listed in the left column is used, according to the standards for use, contain a residue of not less than 0.030 g/kg as SO ₂ , the amount of residue shall be the maximum residue limit.
	Potassium Pyrosulfite	AMANATTO:dried candied beans	0.10 g/kg	
	Sodium Hydrogen Sulfite Solution	Candied cherry Dijon mustard	0.30 g/kg 0.50 g/kg	
	Sodium Hydrosulfite	Dried fruits (excluding raisins)	2.0 g/kg	
	Sodium Pyrosulfite	Raisins	1.5 g/kg	
	Sodium Sulfite	Dried potato	0.50 g/kg	
	Sulfur Dioxide	Food molasses	0.30 g/kg	
		Frozen raw crab	0.10 g/kg	
		Gelatin	0.50 g/kg	
		KANPYO: dried gourd strips	5.0 g/kg	
		KONNYAKU-KO:powdered konjac	0.90 g/kg	
		Miscellaneous alcoholic beverages	0.35 g/kg	
		MIZUAME (starch syrup)	0.20 g/kg	
		Natural fruit juice (confined to foods to be consumed in 5-fold or more dilution)	0.15 g/kg	
		Prawn	0.10 g/kg	
		Simmered beans	0.10 g/kg	
		Tapioca starch for saccharification	0.25 g/kg	
		Wine (any kind of fruit wine, excluding squeezed fruit juice containing alcohol of not less than 1% by volume which is used for manufacturing wine and a concentrate of the same.)	0.35 g/kg	

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Bleaching agents (continued)		Other foods (excluding cherry used for candied cherry, hop used for brewing beer, fruit juice used for manufacturing wine, and squeezed fruit juice containing alcohol of not less than 1 % by volume, and and a concentrate of the same.)	0.030 g/kg			
Chewing gum bases	Ester Gum	Chewing gum		Only as chewing gum base. * Polyvinyl Acetate may also be used as film-forming. See the section, "Film-forming agents."		
	Polybutene					
	Polyisobutylene					
	Polyvinyl Acetate*					
Color fixatives	Ferrous Sulfate					
	Potassium Nitrate	Meat products Whale meat bacon	less than: 0.070 g/kg 0.070 g/kg (as residue limit of NO ₂)	May be used as fermentation regulator. See the section, "Miscellaneous."		
	Sodium Nitrate	Same as for Potassium Nitrate				
	Sodium Nitrite	Fish ham Fish sausage IKURA (salted/processed salmon roes) Meat products SUJIKO (salted salmon roes) TARAKO Whale meat bacon	as maximum residue limit of nitrite 0.050 g/kg 0.050 g/kg 0.0050 g/kg 0.070 g/kg 0.0050 g/kg 0.0050 g/kg 0.070 g/kg			
Color adjuvant	Ferrous Gluconate	Table olive	0.15 g/kg	May also be used as dietary supplement. See the section, "Dietary supplements"		
Dietary Supplements	L-Ascorbic acid 2-glucoside					
	Biotin	Foods with health claims				
	Bisbentiamine	All foods				
	Calcium Carbonate*	All foods Chewing gum* * Only applied to Calcium Carbonate	as Ca 1.0 % 10 % * The above limits do not apply to foods approved to be labeled as "special dietary use."	Only when indispensable for manufacturing or processing the food, or when used for nutritive purposes.		
	Calcium Chloride					
	Calcium Citrate					
	Calcium Dihydrogen Pyrophosphate					
	Calcium Dihydrogen Phosphate					
	Calcium Gluconate					
	Calcium Glycerophosphate					
	Calcium Hydroxide					
Calcium Lactate						
						Only for nutritive purposes.
						Only when indispensable for manufacturing or processing the food, or when used for nutritive purposes.

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Dietary Supplements (continued)	Calcium Monohydrogen Phosphate	All foods		Only when indispensable for manufacturing or processing the food, or when used for nutritive purposes.
	Calcium Pantothenate			
	Calcium Sulfate			Only when indispensable for manufacturing or processing the food, or when used for nutritive purposes.
	Cholecalciferol	All foods		
	Copper Gluconate	Substitutes for human milk	as copper 0.60 mg/L when formulated into a standard concentration.	The limit does not apply to cases where these additives are used in formulated dried milk under approval by the Minister of Health, Labor and Welfare.
		Foods with health claims	5 mg/recommended daily portion of each food	
	Cupric Sulfate	Substitutes for human milk	as copper 0.60 mg/L when formulated into a standard concentration.	The limit does not apply to cases where these additives are used in formulated dried milk under approval by the Minister of Health, Labor and Welfare.
	Dibenzoyl Thiamine	All foods		
	Dibenzoyl Thiamine Hydrochloride			
	Dry Formed Vitamin A			
	Ergocalciferol			
	Ferric Ammonium Citrate			
	Ferric Chloride			
	Ferric Citrate			
	Ferric Pyrophosphate			
	Ferrous Gluconate			
	Folic Acid			
	L-Histidine Monohydrochloride			
	Iron Lactate			
L-Isoleucine				
L-Lysine L-Aspartate				
L-Lysine L-Glutamate				
L-Lysin Monohydrochloride				
DL-Methionine				
L-Methionine				
Methyl Hesperidin				
Nicotinamide			Not permitted in fresh fish/shellfish (including fresh whale meat) or meat.	
Nicotinic Acid				

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Dietary Supplements (continued)	L-Phenylalanine	All foods		
	Pyridoxine Hydrochloride			
	Riboflavin			
	Riboflavin 5'-Phosphate Sodium			
	Riboflavin Tetrabutyrate			
	Sodium Ferrous Citrate			
	Sodium Pantothenate			
	Thiamine Dicetylsulfate			
	Thiamine Dilaurylsulfate			
	Thiamine Hydrochloride			
	Thiamine Mononitrate			
	Thiamine Naphthalene-1, 5-disulfonate	All foods		
	Thiamine Thiocyanate			
	DL-Threonine			
	L-Threonine			
	<i>all-rac</i> - α -Tocopheryl Acetate	Foods with health claims	as α -Tocopherol 150 mg/recommended daily portion of each food	
	<i>R,R,R</i> - α -Tocopheryl Acetate			
Tricalcium Phosphate	All foods	as Ca 1.0 % The above limit do not apply to foods approved to be labeled as "special dietary use."	Only when indispensable for manufacturing or processing the food, or when used for nutritive purposes.	
DL-Tryptophan	All foods			
L-Tryptophan				
L-Valine				
Vitamin A				
Vitamin A Esters of Fatty Acids				
Vitamin A in Oil				
Zinc Gluconate	Only substitutes for human milk	as zinc 6.0 mg/L When formulated into a standard concentration.	Not applied to cases where the additives is used in formulated dried milk under approval by the Minister of Health, Labor and Welfare.	
	Foods with health claims	15 mg/ recommended daily portion of each food		
Zinc Sulfate	Only substitutes for human milk	as zinc 6.0 mg/L When formulated into a standard concentration.	Not applied to cases where the additives is used in formulated dried milk under approval by the Minister of Health, Labor and Welfare.	
Emulsifiers	Calcium Strearoyl Lactylate	Bread.	4.0 g/kg	
		Butter cakes.	5.5 g/kg	
		Confections (baked or fried wheat flour products only).	4.0 g/kg	
		Moist cakes (rice flour products only).	6.0 g/kg	
		Macaroni and other such products.*	4.0 g/kg*	

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Emulsifiers (continued)	Calcium Stearoyl Lactylate (continued)	Mixed powder: for manufacturing bread.	5.5 g/kg				
		for manufacturing confections (fried wheat flour products only).	5.5 g/kg				
		for manufacturing confections (baked wheat flour products only).	5.0 g/kg				
		for manufacturing moist cakes (rice flour products only).	10 g/kg				
		for manufacturing sponge cakes, butter cakes and steamed breads.	8.0 g/kg				
		for manufacturing steamed MANJYU (bun made by steaming wheat flour dough).	2.5				
		Noodles (excluding instant noodles and dry noodles)	4.5 g/kg**		** as boiled noodles.		
		Sponge cakes.	5.5 g/kg				
		Steamed bread (bread made by steaming wheat flour dough).	5.5 g/kg				
		Steamed MANJYU	2.0 g/kg				
Glycerol Esters of Fatty Acids	Lecithin	All foods					
					Propylene Glycol Esters of Fatty Acids		
						Sorbitan Esters of Fatty Acids	
							Sucrose Esters of Fatty Acids
	Film-forming agents	Morpholine Salts of Fatty Acids	Rind of fruits		Only as film-forming agent. * Polyvinyl Acetate may also be used as chewing gum base. See the section, "Chewing gum base."		
		Polyvinyl Acetate*	Rind of vegetables				
		Sodium Oleate					
	Flavoring agents	Acetaldehyde	All foods		Only for flavoring.		
Acetophenone							
Aliphatic Higher Alcohols (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)							
Aliphatic Higher Aldehydes (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)							
Aliphatic Higher Hydro- carbons (excluding sub- stances generally recog- nized as highly toxic)							
Allyl Cyclohexylpropionate							
Allyl Hexanoate							
Allyl Isothiocyanate							
Amyl alcohol							
α -Amylcinnamaldehyde							
Anisaldehyde							
Aromatic Alcohols							

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Flavoring agents (continued)	Aromatic Aldehydes (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)	All foods		Only for flavoring.	
	Benzaldehyde				
	Benzyl Acetate				
	Benzyl Alcohol				
	Benzyl Propionate				
	<i>d</i> -Borneol				
	Butanol				
	Butyl Acetate				
	Butyl Butyrate				
	Butyric Acid				
	Cinnamic Acid				
	Cinnamaldehyde				
	Cinnamyl Acetate				
	Cinnamyl Alcohol				
	Citral				
	Citronellal				
	Citronellol				
	Citronellyl Acetate				
	Citronellyl Formate				
	Cyclohexyl Acetate				
	Cyclohexyl Butyrate				
	Decanal				
	Decanol				
Esters					
Ethers					
Ethyl Acetate	Ethyl Acetate	All foods (flavoring only)		<p>Only for flavoring, except when:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Used for denaturing ethanol which is used for the removal astringency of persimons, the manufacture of crystalline fructose, the preparation of granules or tablets of spices, or the manufacture of KONNYAKU-KO (Konjac powder), or which is used as a solvent for Butylated Hydroxytoluene of Butylated Hydroxyanisole or as an ingredient for the manufacture of vinegar; Used for accelerating yeast-autolysis in the extract (water-soluble fraction obtained by autolysis of yeast;) Used as a solvent for vinyl acetate resin. <p>Ethyl Acetate used in manufacturing yeast extract shall be removed before the preparation of the finished food.</p>	
		Ethanol			
		Yeast extract			
		Vinyl acetate resin			
Ethyl Acetoacetate	Ethyl Acetoacetate	All foods		Only for flavoring.	
					Ethyl Butyrate
					Ethyl Cinnamate
					Ethyl Decanoate

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Flavoring agents (continued)	Mixture of 2-Ethyl-3,5-dimethylpyrazine and 2-Ethyl-3,6-dimethylpyrazine	All foods		Only for flavoring.
	Ethyl Heptanoate			
	Ethyl Hexanoate			
	Ethyl Isovalerate			
	2-Ethyl-3-methylpyrazine			
	Ethyl Octanoate			
	Ethyl Phenylacetate			
	Ethyl Propionate			
	Ethylvanillin			
	1,8-Cineole			
	Eugenol			
	Fatty Acids			
	Furfural and its derivatives (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)			
	Geraniol			
	Geranyl Acetate			
	Geranyl Formate			
	Hexanoic Acid			
	Hydroxycitronellal			
	Hydroxycitronellal Di- methylacetal			
	Indole and its derivatives			
	Ionone			
	Isoamyl Acetate			
	Isoamylalcohol			
	Isoamyl Butyrate			
	Isoamyl Formate			
	Isoamyl Isovalerate			
	Isoamyl Phenylacetate			
	Isoamyl Propionate			
	Isobutanol			
	Isobutyraldehyde			
	Isobutyl Phenylacetate			
	Isoeugenol			
	Isopropanol			
	Isothiocyanates (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)			
	Ketones			
	Lactones (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)			
	Linalool			
	Linalyl Acetate			
	Maltol			
	d/-Menthol			
	/-Menthol			

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Flavoring agents (continued)	/-Menthyl Acetate	All foods		Only for flavoring.
	Methyl Athranilate			
	2-Methylbutanol			
	Methyl Cinnamate			
	Methyl <i>N</i> -Methylantranilate			
	Methyl β -Naphthyl Ketone			
	5-Methylquinoxaline			
	Methyl Salicylate			
	<i>p</i> -Methylacetophenone			
	γ -Nonalactone			
	Octanal			
	/-Perillaldehyde			
	Phenethyl Acetate			
	Phenols (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)			
	Phenol Ethers (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)			
	Piperonal			
	Propanol			
	Propionic Acid*			
	Terpene Hydrocarbons			
	Terpineol			
Terpinyl Acetate				
2,3,5,6-Tetramethylpyrazine				
Thioethers (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)				
Thiols (excluding substances generally recognized as highly toxic)				
2,3,5-Trimethylpyrazine				
γ -Undecalactone				
Vanillin				
Flour treatment agents	Ammonium Persulfate	Wheat flour	0.30 g/kg	
	Benzoyl Peroxide	Wheat flour		Can be used only as diluted Benzoyl Peroxide by mixing with one or more of Alum, calcium salts of Phosphoric Acid, Calcium Sulfate, Calcium Carbonate, Magnesium Carbonate, and Starch.
	Chloride Dioxide	Wheat flour		
	Diluted Benzoyl Peroxide	Wheat flour	0.30 g/kg	
	Potassium Bromate	Bread (only products made of wheat flour)	0.030 g/kg of wheat flour	Shall be decomposed or removed before the preparation of the finished food.

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Food Colors	Annato, water-soluble			Not permitted in fresh fish/shellfish (including whale meat), KONBU (kelp)/WAKAME (sea weed) (both <i>Laminariales</i>), legumes/pulses, meat, NORI (laver) (except when gold is used on NORI), tea leaves, or vegetables.
	β-Carotene			Not permitted in fresh fish/shellfish including (fresh whale meat), KONBU (kelp)/WAKAME (sea weed) (both <i>Laminariales</i>), legumes/pulses, meat NORI (laver), tea, or vegetables.
	Copper Chlorophyll	Agar jelly in MITSUMAME (prepared by mixing agar jelly, cut fruits, green beans, etc. with sugar syrup) packed into cans or plastic containers Chewing gum Chocolate Fish-paste products (excluding SURIMI) Fruits and vegetables for preservation.* KONBU (kelp) Moist cakes (excluding bread with sweet fillings or toppings)	as copper 0.0004 g/kg 0.050 g/kg 0.0010 g/kg 0.030 g/kg 0.10 g/kg 0.15 g/kg of dry kelp 0.0064 g/kg	* Foods which are processed for preserving, including dried foods, salted foods, pickled foods in vinegar, and preserved foods in syrup.
	Food Blue No. 1 (Brilliant Blue FCF) and its Aluminum Lake			Not permitted in fish pickles, fresh fish/shellfish (including whale meat) KASUTERA (a type of pound cake), KINAKO (roasted soybean flour), KONBU (kelp)/WAKAME (sea weed) (both <i>Laminariales</i>), legumes/pulses, marmalade, meat, meat pickles, MISO (fermented soybean paste), noodles (including Wantan), NORI(laver), soy sauce, sponge cakes, tea leaves, vegetables, or whale meat pickles.
	Food Blue No. 2 (Indigo Carmine) and its Aluminum Lake			
	Food Green No. 3 (Fast Green FCF) and its Aluminum Lake			
	Food Red No. 2 (Amaranth) and its Aluminum Lake			
	Food Red No. 3 (Erythrosin) and its Aluminum Lake			
	Food Red No. 40 (Allura Red) and its Aluminum Lake			
	Food Red No. 102 (New Coccine)			
Food Red No. 104 (Phloxine)				
Food Red No. 105 (Rose Bengale)				
Food Red No. 106 (Acid Red)				
Food Yellow No. 4 (Tartrazine) and its Aluminum Lake				

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Food Colors (continued)	Food Yellow No. 5 (Sunset Yellow) and its Aluminum Lake			
	Food colors other than chemically synthesized food additives			Not permitted in fresh fish/shellfish (including whale meat), KONBU (kelp)/WAKAME (sea weed) (both <i>Laminariales</i>), legumes/pulses, meat, NORI (laver) (except when gold is used on NORI), tea leaves, or vegetables.
	Iron Sesquioxide	Banana (stem only) KONNYAKU (konjac)		
	Preparations of tar colors			Same as for Food Blue No. 1.
	Sodium Copper Chlorophyllin	Agar jelly in MITSUMAME (prepared by mixing agar jelly, cut fruits, green beans, etc. with sugar syrup) packed into cans or plastic containers. Candies Chewing gum Chocolate Fish-paste products (except SURIMI) Fruits and vegetables for preservation.* KONBU (kelp) Moist cakes (excluding bread with sweet fillings or toppings) Syrup	as copper 0.0004 g/kg 0.020 g/kg 0.050 g/kg 0.0064 g/kg 0.040 g/kg 0.10 g/kg 0.15 g/kg of dry kelp 0.0064 g/kg 0.064 g/kg	* Foods which are processed for preserving, including dried foods, salted foods, pickled foods in vinegar, and preserved foods in syrup.
	Sodium Iron Chlorophyllin			Same as for Annato, water-soluble
	Titanium Dioxide			Only for coloring. Not permitted in fish pickles, fresh fish/shellfish (including whale meat) KASUTERA (a type of pound cake), KINAKO (roasted soybean flour), KONBU (kelp)/WAKAME (sea weed) (both <i>Laminariales</i>), legumes/pulses, marmalade, meat, meat pickles, MISO (fermented soybean paste), noodles (including Wantan), NORI(laver), soy sauce, sponge cakes, tea leaves, vegetables, or whale meat pickles.
Humectant	Sodium Chondroitin Sulfate	Fish sausage Mayonnaise Dressing	3.0 g/kg 20 g/kg 20 g/kg	
Insecticide	Piperonyl Butoxide	Cereal grains	0.024 g/kg	
Non-nutritive Sweeteners		An (sweetened bean paste) Confectionary Chewing gum Edible ices (including sherbets, flavored ices, and other similar foods)	2.5 g/kg 2.5 g/kg 5.0 g/kg 1.0 g/kg	These maximum limits do not apply to foods approved to be labeled as special dietary use.

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Non-nutritive sweeteners (continued)	Acesulfame Potassium (continued)	Fermented milk*	0.50 g/kg	* Applied to dilutions, in the case of concentrated products. ** Products used by directly adding to drinks, such as coffee and tea.
		Flour paste	1.0 g/kg	
		Ice creams	1.0 g/kg	
		Jam	1.0 g/kg	
		Foods with health claims (only tablets)	6.0 g/kg	
		Lactic acid bacterial bevarages*	0.50 g/kg	
		Milk drinks*	0.50 g/kg	
		Miscellaneous alcoholic beverages*	0.50 g/kg	
		Moist cakes	2.5 g/kg	
		Nonalcoholic beverages	0.50 g/kg	
		Pickles	1.0 g/kg	
		Sugar substitutes**	15 g/kg	
		Tare (a dip or sauce mainly for Japanese or Chinese foods)	1.0 g/kg	
		Wine*	0.50 g/kg	
		Other foods	0.35 g/kg	
Aspartame				
Disodium Glycyrrhizinate	MISO (fermented soybean paste) Soy sauce			
Saccharin	Chewing gum		0.050 g/kg	
Sodium Saccharin			as residue limit of sodium saccharine less than:	
		KOZI-ZUKE (preserved in KOJI, fermented rice)	2.0 g/kg	
		SU-ZUKE (vinegar-pickled foods)		
		TAKUAN-ZUKE (rice bran-pickled radishes)		
		Nonalcoholic beverages (powdered)	1.5 g/kg	
		KASU-ZUKE (lee-pickled foods)	1.2 g/kg	
		MISO-ZUKE (MISO-pickled foods)		
		SHOYU-ZUKE (soy sauce-pickled foods)		
		Fish/shellfish (processed, excluding fish paste, TSUKUDANI (foods boiled down with soy sauce), pickles, and canned or bottled foods)		
		Processed sea weeds	0.50 g/kg	
Simmered beans				
Soy sauce				
TSUKUDANI (foods boiled down with soy sauce)				

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Non-nutritive sweeteners (continued)	Sodium Saccharin (continued)	Edible ices	0.30 g/kg	These maximum limits do not apply to foods approved to be labeled as special dietary use.
		Fish paste	(less than 1.5 g/kg in case of materials for nonalcoholic beverage or lactic acid bacteria drinks or fermented milk product to be diluted not less than 5-fold before use, less than 0.90 g/kg in case of vinegar to be deluted not less than 3-fold before use)	
		Lactic acid bacterial drinks		
		Milk drinks		
		Nonalcoholic beverages		
		Sauces		
		Syrup		
		Vinegar		
		An (sweetened bean paste)	0.20 g/kg	
		Fermented milk		
Flour paste				
Ice cream products				
Jams				
MISO (fermented soybean paste)				
Pickles (preserved or pickled foods, excluding those listed in this column)				
Confectionary	0.10 g/kg			
Canned or bottled foods, excluding those listed above.	0.20 g/kg			
D-Sorbitol				
Sucralose	Chewing gum	2.6 g/kg	These maximum limits do not apply to foods approved to be labeled as special dietary use. * Applied to dilutions, in the case of concentrated products. ** Products used by directly adding to drinks, such as coffee and tea.	
	Confectionary	1.8 g/kg		
	Jam	1.0 g/kg		
	Lactic acid bacterial beverages*	0.40 g/kg		
	Milk drinks*	0.40 g/kg		
	Miscellaneous alcoholic beverages*	0.40 g/kg		
	Moist cakes	1.8 g/kg		
	Nonalcoholic beverages*	0.40 g/kg		
	Sake*	0.40 g/kg		
	Sake (compounded)*	0.40 g/kg		
	Sugar substitutes**	12 g/kg		
	Wine (any kind of fruit wine)*	0.40 g/kg		
	Other foods	0.58 g/kg		
Xylitol				
D-Xylose				
Preservatives	Benzoic Acid	Caviar	2.5 g/kg	When the additive is used in margarine with Sorbic Acid or Potassium Sorbate, or a preparation containing either of these two additives, the total amount of them as benzoic acid and as sorbic acid shall not be more than 1.0 g/kg.
		Margarine	1.0 g/kg	
Nonalcoholic beverages		0.60 g/kg		
Soy sauce		0.60 g/kg		
Syrup		0.60 g/kg		
Butyl <i>p</i> -Hydroxybenzoate			as <i>p</i> -hydroxybenzoic acid	
	Fruit sauce	0.20 g/kg		
	nonalcoholic beverages	0.10 g/kg		
	Rind of fruits and fruit vegetables	0.012 g/kg		

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Preservative (continued)	Butyl <i>p</i> -Hydroxybenzoate (continued)	Soy sauce	0.25 g/L	
		Syrup	0.10 g/kg	
		Vinegar	0.10 g/L	
	Calcium Propionate	Bread and cakes Cheese	as propionic acid 2.5 g/kg 3.0 g/kg	
	Ethyl <i>p</i> -Hydroxybenzoate	Same as for Butyl <i>p</i> -Hydroxybenzoate.		
	Isobutyl <i>p</i> -Hydroxybenzoate			
	Isopropyl <i>p</i> -Hydroxybenzoate			
Potassium Sorbate		AMAZAKE (beverages made from fermented rice using KOJI (<i>Asp. oryzae</i>), and confined to products to be consumed in 3-fold or more dilution.)	as sorbic acid 0.30 g/kg	Cheese: When used in combination with propionic acid, calcium propionate, or sodium propionate, total level of the additives as sorbic acid and as propionic acid shall not be more than 3.0 g/kg.
		AN (sweetened bean paste)	1.0 g/kg	
		Candied cherries	1.0 g/kg	
		Cheese	3.0 g/kg	
		Dried fish/shellfish (excluding smoking cuttlefish & octopus)	1.0 g/kg	
		Dried prune	0.50 g/kg	
		Fermented milk (as raw materials for lactic acid bacterial drinks)	0.30 g/kg	
		Fish-paste products (excluding SURIMI)	2.0 g/kg	
		Flour paste products for bread and confectionary	1.0 g/kg	
		Fruit juice (including concentrated fruit juice) for confectionary	1.0 g/kg	
		Fruit paste for confectionary	1.0 g/kg	
		Gnocchis	1.0 g/kg	
		Jams	1.0 g/kg	
		KASU-ZUKE (lees-pickled foods)	1.0 g/kg	When the additive is used in margarine with Benzoic Acid or Sodium Benzoate, the total amount of them as benzoic acid and as sorbic acid shall not be more than 1.0 g/kg.
		Ketchup	0.50 g/kg	
		KOJI-ZUKE (KOJI (<i>Asp. oryzae</i>)-pickled foods)	1.0 g/kg	
		Lactic acid bacterial beverages (excluding sterilized bevarages)	0.050 g/kg	
		Lactic acid bacterial beverages (as ingredients of lactic acid bacterial beverages, excluding sterilized beverages)	0.30 g/kg	
		Margarine	1.0 g/kg	
		Meat products	2.0 g/kg	
		Miscellaneous alcoholic beverages	0.20 g/kg	
		MISO (fermented soy bean paste)	1.0 g/kg	
		MISO-ZUKE (MISO-pickled foods)	1.0 g/kg	
		Salted vegetables	1.0 g/kg	
		Sea urchin products	2.0 g/kg	
		SHOYU-ZUKE (soy sauce-pickled foods)	1.0 g/kg	

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Preservative (continued)	Potassium Sorbate (continued)	Simmered beans	1.0 g/kg	
		Smoked cuttlefish & octopus	1.5 g/kg	
		Soup (excluding potage-type soup)	0.50 g/kg	
		SU-ZUKE (vinegar-pickled foods)	0.50 g/kg	
		Syrup	1.0 g/kg	
		TAKUAN-ZUKE (rice bran-pickled radish)	1.0 g/kg	
		TARE (a dip or sauce mainly for Japanese or Chinese foods)	0.50 g/kg	
		TSUKUDANI (foods boiled down in soy sauce)	1.0 g/kg	
		TSUYU (a sauce mainly for Japanese noodles)	0.50 g/kg	
		Whale meat products	2.0 g/kg	
		Wine (any kind of fruit wine)	0.20 g/kg	
	Propionic Acid	Same as for Calcium Propionate		This additive may also be used as flavoring agent. See the section, "Flavoring agents."
	Propyl <i>p</i> -Hydroxybenzoate	Same as for Butyl <i>p</i> -Hydroxybenzoate		
	Sodium Benzoate		as benzoic acid	When the additive is used in margarine with Sorbic Acid or Potassium Sorbate, the total amount of them as benzoic acid and as sorbic acid shall not be more than 1.0 g/kg.
		Caviar	2.5 g/kg	
		Fruit paste and fruit juice (including concentrated juice) used for manufacturing confectionary.	1.0 g/kg	
		Margarine	1.0 g/kg	
		Nonalcoholic beverages	0.60 g/kg	
		Soy sauce	0.60 g/kg	
		Syrup	0.60 g/kg	
	Sodium Dehydroacetate		as dehydroacetic	
		Butter	0.50 g/kg	
		Cheese	0.50 g/kg	
		Margarine	0.50 g/kg	
	Sodium Propionate	Same as for Calcium Propionate		
	Sorbic Acid		as sorbic acid	
		AMAZAKE (beverages made from fermented rice using KOJI (<i>Asp. oryzae</i>), and confined to products to be coconsumed in 3-fold or more dilution.)	0.30 g/kg	
		AN (sweetened bean paste)	1.0 g/kg	
		Candied cherries	1.0 g/kg	
		Cheese	3.0 g/kg	
		Dried fish/shellfish (excluding smoking cuttlefish & octopus)	1.0 g/kg	
		Dried prune	0.50 g/kg	
		Fermented milk (as raw materials for lactic acid bacterial drinks)	0.30 g/kg	

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Preservative (continued)	Sorbic Acid (continued)	Fish-paste products (excluding SURIMI)	2.0 g/kg	When the additive is used in margarine with Benzoic Acid or Sodium Benzoate, the total amount of them as benzoic acid and as sorbic acid shall not be more than 1.0 g/kg.		
		Flour paste products for bread and confectionary	1.0 g/kg			
		Gnocchis	1.0 g/kg			
		Jam	1.0 g/kg			
		KASU-ZUKE (lees-pickled foods)	1.0 g/kg			
		Ketchup	0.50 g/kg			
		KOJI-ZUKE (KOJI (<i>Asp. oryzae</i>)-pickled foods)	1.0 g/kg			
		Lactic acid bacterial beverages (excluding sterilized bevarages)	0.050 g/kg			
		Lactic acid bacterial beverages (as ingredients of lactic acid bacterial beverages, excluding sterilized beverages)	0.30 g/kg			
		Margarine	1.0 g/kg		When the additive is used in MISO-ZUKE, the total amount of Sorbic Acid used in the product, and Sorbic Acid and its salts cntaining in MISO as ingredient shall not be more than 1.0 g/kg.	
		Meat products	2.0 g/kg			
		Miscellaneous alcoholic beverages	0.20 g/kg			
		MISO (fermented soy bean paste)	1.0 g/kg			
		MISO-ZUKE (MISO-pickled foods)	1.0 g/kg			
		Salted vegetables	1.0 g/kg			
		Sea urchin products	2.0 g/kg			
		SHOYU-ZUKE (soy sauce-pickled foods)	1.0 g/kg			
		Simmered beans	1.0 g/kg			
		Smoked cuttlefish & octopus	1.5 g/kg			
		Soup (excluding potage-type soup)	0.50 g/kg			
		SU-ZUKE (vinegar-pickled foods)	0.50 g/kg			
		Syrup	1.0 g/kg			
		TAKUAN-ZUKE (rice bran-pickled radish)	1.0 g/kg			
		TARE (a dip or sauce mainly for Japanese or Chinese foods)	0.50 g/kg			
		TSUKUDANI (foods boiled down in soy sauce)	1.0 g/kg			
		TSUYU (a sauce mainly for Japanese noodles)	0.50 g/kg			
		Whale meat products	2.0 g/kg			
		Wine (any kind of fruit wine)	0.20 g/kg			
		Quality sustainer	Propylene Glycol	Crust of Chinese pastry (shao mai, spring roll, wonton, zaio-z)	1.2 %	
				Smoked cuttlefish	2.0 %	
Raw noodles	2.0 %					
Other foods	0.60 %					
Raising agents	Aluminum Ammonium Sulfate			Not permitted in MISO (fermented soy bean paste).		
	Aluminum Potassium Sulfate					
	Ammonium Bicarbonate					
	Ammonium Carbonate					
	Ammonium Chloride					

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Raising agents (continued)	Baking Powder <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Single Baking Powder ▪ Duplex Baking Powder ▪ Ammonia Type Baking Powder 			
	Potassium L-Bitartrate			
	Potassium DL-Bitartrate			
	Potassium Carbonate			
	Sodium Bicarbonate			
Seasonings	DL-Alanine			
	L-Arginine L-Glutamate			
	Calcium 5'-Ribonucleotide			
	Disodium 5'-Cytidylate			
	Disodium 5'-Guanylate			
	Disodium 5'-Inosinate			
	Disodium 5'-Ribonucleotide			
	Disodium Succinate			
	Disodium DL-Tartrate			
	Disodium L-Tartrate			
	Disodium 5'-Uridylate			
	L-Glutamic Acid			
	Glycine			
	Monocalcium Di-L-Glutamate	All foods	as calcium 1.0 % Not applied to foods approved to be labeled as "special dietary use."	
	Monomagnesium Di-L-Glutamate			
Monopotassium Citrate				
Monopotassium L-Glutamate				
Monosodium L-Aspartate				
Monosodium Fumarate				
Monosodium L-Glutamate				
Monosodium Succinate				
Potassium Chloride				
Potassium Gluconate				
Sodium Gluconate				
Sodium Lactate				
Sodium DL-Malate				
L-Theanine				
Tripotassium Citrate				
Trisodium Citrate				

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Solvents or extracting agents	Acetone	Fats and oils Guarana nuts		Only for extracting components from such nuts in the process of the manufacture of guarana beverages or for fractionating components of fats or oils. Shall be removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Glycerol			
	Hexane			Only for extracting fats or oils in manufacturing edible fats or oils. Shall be removed before the preparation of the finished food.
Sterilizer	High-Test Hypochlorite			
	Hypochlorous Acid Water			Shall be decomposed or removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Sodium Hypochlorite			Not permitted in sesame.
Thickening agents or stabilizers	Ammonium Alginate			
	Casein			
	Calcium Alginate			
	Calcium Carboxymethyl-cellulose	All foods	2.0 %	When used with one or more of the following additives, the total amount shall not be more than 2.0 % : Methyl Cellulose, Sodium Carboxymethylcellulose, Sodium Carboxymethylstrach, and Sodium Strach Phosphate.
	Methyl cellulose	All foods	2.0%	When used with one or more of the following additives, the total amount shall not be more than 2.0 %: Calcium Carboxymethyl-cellulose, Sodium Carboxymethylcellulose, Sodium Carboxymethylstrach, Sodium Strach Phosphate.
	Potassium Alginate			
	Propylene Glycol Alginate	All foods	1.0 %	
	Sodium Alginate			
Sodium Carboxymethyl-cellulose	All foods	2.0 %	When used with one or more of the following additives, the total amount shall not be more than 2.0 %: Calcium Carboxymethyl-cellulose, Methyl Cellulose, Sodium Carboxymethylstrach, and Sodium Strach Phosphate.	

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Thickening agents or stabilizers (continued)	Sodium Carboxymethyl-starch	All foods	2.0 %	When used with one or more of the following additives, the total amount shall not be more than 2.0 %: Calcium Carboxymethyl-cellulose, Methyl Cellulose, Sodium Carboxymethyl-cellulose, and Sodium Strach Phosphate.
	Sodium Caseinate			
	Sodium Polyacrylate	All foods	0.20 %	
	Sodium Starch Phosphate	All foods	2.0 %	When used with one or more of the following additives, the total amount shall not be more than 2.0 %: Calcium Carboxymethyl-cellulose, Methyl Cellulose, Sodium Carboxymethyl-cellulose, and Sodium Carboxymethylstarch.
Miscellaneous Absorbent Brewing agent Fermentation regulator Filtration aid Processing agent Quality improver	Active Carbone			
	Ammonia			
	Ammonium Dihydrogen Phosphate			
	Ammonium Sulfate			
	Calcium Stearate			
	Carbon Dioxide			
	Diammonium Hydrogen Phosphate			
	Dipotassium Hydrogen Phosphate			
	Disodium Dihydrogen Pyrophosphate			
	Disodium Hydrogen Phosphate			
	Hydroxypropyl Cellulose			
	Hydroxypropyl Methylcellulose			
	Hydrochloric Acid			Shall be neutralized or removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Ion Exchange Resins			Shall be removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Liquid Paraffin	Bread	as residue limit less than 0.10 %	Only for releasing dough in dividing by automatic dispenser or in baking.
	Magnesium Carbonate			
	Magnesium Chloride			
	Magnesium Oxide			
	Magnesium Stearate			Only capsules and tablets as foods with health claim.
Magnesium Sulfate				
Natamycin	Natural Cheese (confined to the surface of hard and semi-hard cheeses)	less than 0.020 g/kg		

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Miscellaneous Absorbent Brewing agent Fermentation regulator Filtration aid Processing agent Quality improver (continued)	Nitrous Oxide	Whip creams (referring to products obtained by whipping foods composed mainly of milk fat or foods made mainly of milk fat substitutes).		
	Oxalic Acid			Shall be removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Phosphoric Acid			
	Polyvinylpyrrolidone			Only as filtration aid. Shall be removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Potassium Dihydrogen Phosphate			
	Potassium Hydroxide			Shall be neutralized or removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Potassium Metaphosphate			
	Potassium Nitrate	Cheese SAKE	0.20 g/L of raw milk 0.10 g/L of raw mash	
	Potassium Polyphosphate			
	Potassium Pyrophosphate			
	Silicon Dioxide			Only as filtration aid. Shall be removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Silicon Dioxide (fine)	All foods	2.0 %	Not permitted in human milk substitutes or weaning foods.
	Sodium Acetate			
	Sodium Carbonate			
	Sodium Dihydrogen Phosphate			
	Sodium Hydroxide			Shall be neutralized or removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Sodium Hydroxide Solution			
	Sodium Metaphosphate			
	Sodium Methoxide			Shall be decomposed before the preparation of the finished product, then the methanol produced during the decomposition shall be removed.
	Sodium Polyphosphate			
	Sodium Pyrophosphate			
	Sodium Sulfate			
	Sulfuric Acid			Shall be neutralized or removed before the preparation of the finished food.
	Trimagnesium Phosphate			
	Tripotassium Phosphate			
	Trisodium Phosphate			

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Miscellaneous Absorbent Brewing agent Fermentation regulator Filtration aid Processing agent Quality improver (continued)	Water-insoluble minerals: Acid Clay Bentonite Diatomaceous Earth Kaolin Perlite Sand Talc* Other Similar Substances	All foods Chewing gum (when talc is only used)*	as maximum residue limit 0.50 % 5.0 %*	When two or more of the additives listed in this section are used together, the total of each residue amount shall not be more than 0.50 %. Only in case where its use is indispensable for manufacture or processing of food.