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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 18 August 2021, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Canada.

Notice of Modification to the *List of Permitted Preservatives* to Revise the Permitted Uses of Methylparaben, Propylparaben and their Sodium Salts - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0171

Health Canada has revised the permitted uses of the preservatives methyl-p-hydroxybenzoate (methylparaben), propyl-p-hydroxybenzoate (propylparaben), and their sodium salts (sodium salt of methyl-p-hydroxybenzoic acid and sodium salt of propyl-p-hydroxybenzoic acid).

A notice of Health Canada's Proposal to Revise Permitted Uses of the food additives Methyl Paraben, Propyl Paraben and their Sodium Salts in Various Foods [NOP/ADP-0033] was published on 15 November 2019. The proposal was open to the public for comment for 75 days. No comments were received during this period.

Consequently, Health Canada revised the permitted uses of these four food additives as described in the information document by modifying Part 2 of the *List of Permitted Preservatives*, effective 10 August 2021.

The purpose of this communication is to publically announce the Department's decision in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for any inquiries or for those wishing to submit any new scientific information relevant to the safety of these food additives.

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/CAN/21_5255_00_e.pdf

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/CAN/21_5255_00_f.pdf

This addendum concerns a:

- Modification of final date for comments
- Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation
- Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation
- Withdrawal of proposed regulation
- Change in proposed date of adoption, publication or date of entry into force
- Other:

Comment period: (If the addendum extends the scope of the previously notified measure in terms of products and/or potentially affected Members, a new deadline for receipt of comments should be provided, normally of at least 60 calendar days. Under other circumstances, such as extension of originally announced final date for comments, the comment period provided in the addendum may vary.)

- Sixty days from the date of circulation of the addendum to the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

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<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/notice-modification-list-permitted-preservatives-methylparaben-propylparaben-sodium-salts.html> (English)

<https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/avis-modification-liste-agents-conservation-autorises-methylparabene-propylparabene-sels-sodiques.html> (French)

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