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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
DEPARTEMENT VAN GESONDHEID

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

REGULATIONS GOVERNING MICROBIOLOGICAL STANDARDS FOR FOODSTUFFS AND
RELATED MATTERS: AMENDMENT

The Minister of Health intends, in terms of section 15(1) of the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, 1972 (Act No. 54 of 1972), to make the regulations in the Schedule.

Interested persons are invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations on the proposed regulations to the Director-General of Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001 (for the attention of the Director: Food Control), within two months of the date of publication of this notice.

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. 556 of 7 May 2004.

Amendment of regulation 1 of the Regulations

2. Regulation 1 of the Regulations is hereby amended by the addition of the following definition in the correct alphabetical order:

“‘**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 one or the blending of two or more species of sound ripe fruits 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 subregulation (a)(i);
- (2) the deletion of the expression “and” after the expression “product” in subregulation (b)(ii); and
- (3) the addition of the following subregulation:
“(b)(iv) *Bacillus cereus*: 10³ per gram of the product.”.

Amendment of regulation 14 of the Regulations

4. Regulation 14 is hereby amended by the substitution for the existing regulation 14 of the following regulation; with the existing regulation 14 renumbered as 15:

“14. No person shall sell for consumption fruit juice which -

- (1) gives a total viable count of more than 10 000 colony forming units per 1,0 ml of the product;
- (2) gives a coliform count of more than 100 colony forming units per 1,0 ml of the product;

- (3) gives a yeast and mould count of 1000 colony forming units per 1,0 ml of the product;
- (4) contains any detectable levels of E. coli in 10 ml of the product; and
- (5) contains any detectable Salmonella spp. in 25 ml of the product".


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MINISTER OF HEALTH