

GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

NO. R.556 - 7 May 2004

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 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

Definitions

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 and Government Notice No. R. 1588 of 20 December 2002.

Amendment of Annexure A of the Regulations

2. The following Annexure A is hereby substituted for the existing Annexure A to the regulations.

ANNEXURE A
MICROBIOLOGICAL METHODS

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2
Micro-organisms	Standard test methods
<i>Bacillus cereus</i> [Corrected by G.N.R. 1296 dd. 16. 10. 1998.]	SANS 7932: 1993
<i>Viable Clostridium perfringens</i> [Corrected by G.N.R. 1296 dd. 16. 10. 1998.]	SANS 7937: 1997
Coliforms..... <i>Escherichia coli</i> [Corrected by G.N.R. 1296 dd. 16. 10. 1998.]	SANS 4832: 1991 SANS 7251: 1993
<i>Viable Salmonella</i> Total plate count (total aerobic bacteria)..... <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> <i>Shigella</i> <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> [Corrected by G.N.R. 1296 dd. 16. 10. 1998.]	SANS 6579: 1993 SANS 4833: 1991 SANS 6888-1: 1999; SANS 6888-2:1999 SANS 6195:1992 SANS 6196: 1992
<i>Vibrio parahaemolyticus</i> Faecal streptococci..... Yeast and mould count.....	SANS 6196: 1992 ISO Method 7899 SANS 7954: 1987

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