



NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>ISRAEL</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Health Regulation Directorate (Food, Alcoholic Beverages and Cosmetics), Ministry of Health
3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Food additives (ICS code(s): 67.220.20)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Public Health Protection Notice (Food) (Application of Changes to the Annex to European Union Directives) (Regulation 231/2012 - Specifications of Food Additives Listed in Annexes II and III to Regulation No. 1333/2008) (No. 2), 5785-2025. Language(s): Hebrew. Number of pages: 2 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/ISR/26_03013_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: Commission Regulation (EU) No. 231/2012 of 9 March 2012 determines specifications for food additives listed in Annexes II and III to Regulation No. 1333/2008 of the European Commission and of the Council (hereinafter - Regulation 231/2012) was adopted in Israel as part of Amendment No. 10 to the Public Health Protection (Food) Law, 5776-2015 (hereinafter - the Law/Food Law), and appears in Item 9 of Appendix II A to the Law. Regulation 231/2012 was fully implemented, with the expansion listed in Column C of Item 9 of Appendix II A to the Law, in addition to the exceptions as stated in Section 3A(a1) to (a5) of the Law. To date, notices have been published in the Official Gazette (Reshumot) that included changes that took place in the European Union in Regulation 231/2012, and were applied in Israel (updates), with the most recent being published on 17 August 2025, being the Public Health Protection Notice (Food) (Application of Changes to the Annex to the European Union Directives) (Regulation 231/2012 - Specifications of Food Additives Listed in Annexes II and III to Regulation No. 1333/2008) (No. 2), 5785-2025, signed by the Director of the National Food Service in the Ministry of Health, as she was then described. The latest updated consolidated version, adopted and published on the Food Service website after the publication of the aforementioned notice, is the version valid in European legislation as it stood on 27 April 2025. It is now proposed to apply in Israel the changes to the Annex to Regulation 231/2012 that will be applied in the European Union, without modifications, conditions, exceptions, or expansions, while integrating them into the text of Regulation 231/2012 as adopted today. The essence of the change is in the specification of a food additive. It is clarified that the expansion that appears in column C of item 9 in Appendix II A will continue to apply to the changes proposed to be implemented in Israel.

<p>The changes included in this proposed amendment combine the following EU Regulations amending various Annexes of Regulation (EC) No. 231/2012, after Item No. 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item 4: Commission Regulation (EU) 2025/2084 of 17 October 2025 amending Regulation (EC) No. 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the specifications for Quillaia extract (E 999) - in the appendix to the regulation - replacing the reference for Quillaia extract (999E).
<p>7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.</p>
<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Commission Regulation (EU) 2025/2084 of 17 October 2025 amending Regulation (EC) No. 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the specifications for Quillaia extract (E 999): https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32025R2084&qid=1780228897614 (available in English)</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 1 July 2026 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 21 April 2026</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 July 2026 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 7 August 2026</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Health Regulation Directorate (Food, Alcoholic Beverages and Cosmetics) Ministry of Health E-mail: matan.shiner@moh.gov.il</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Health Regulation Directorate (Food, Alcoholic Beverages and Cosmetics) Ministry of Health E-mail: matan.shiner@moh.gov.il</p>