

## **Orders & Notifications**

### **Order S.O. 528 (E) dated 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2002**

S.O.528(E). - Whereas, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 6 of the Export (Quality Control and Inspection) Act, 1963 (22 of 1963), the Central Government has formulated certain proposals for amending the Order No. SO 729 (E) dated 21st August, 1995, of erstwhile Ministry of Commerce, Government of India, relating to Fresh, Frozen and Processed Fish and Fishery Products and in supersession of Ministry of Commerce and Industry Order No. S 729 (E) dated 17th August 2001 relating to Maximum Residual Limits (RRLs) for antibiotics, pesticides and heavy metals in fish and fishery products in the manner specified below for the development of export trade of India and has forwarded the same to Export Inspection Council as required by sub-rule(2) of rule 11 of the Export (Quality Control and Inspection) Rules, 1964;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the said sub-rule, the Central Government hereby publishes the said draft proposals for the information of the public likely to be affected thereby;

Notice is hereby given that any person desiring to forward any objection or suggestion with respect to the said proposals may forward the same within thirty days from the date of publication of the said draft Order in the Official Gazette, to the Export Inspection Council, 3rd Floor, New Delhi YMCA Cultural Center Building, 1, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi - 110001.

### **PROPOSALS**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 6 of the Export (Quality Control and Inspection) Act, 1963 (22 of 1963), the Central Government after consulting Export Inspection Council, hereby makes the following amendments to the Order No. SO 729 (E) dated 21st August 1995 of erstwhile Ministry of Commerce, Government of India, relating to fresh, Frozen and Processed Fish and Fishery Products relating to Maximum Residual Limits (MRLs) for antibiotics, pesticides and heavy metals in fish and fishery products, which shall take effect on the date of the publications of the final proposals in the official Gazette namely :-

In said Order, in schedule - I, for clause (e), the following shall be substituted, namely :-

"(e) Maximum Residual Limits (MRLs) for pesticides, heavy metals and antibiotics and other pharmacologically active substances in fish and Fishery Products shall meet the requirements as given below :

### **Pesticides\***

| <b>Pesticides</b> | <b>Max. permissible residual level in ppm</b> |
|-------------------|---|
| BHC               | 0.3   |
| Aldrin            | 0.3   |
| Dieldrin          | 0.3   |
| Endrin            | 0.3   |
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### **Heavy Metals\***

| <b>Pesticides</b> | <b>Max. permissible residual level in ppm</b> |
|-------------------|---|
| Mercury           | 1   |
| Cadmium           | 3   |
| Arsenic           | 75  |
| Lead              | 1.5   |
| Tin               | 250   |
| Nickel            | 80  |
| Chromium          | 12  |

### **Antibiotics and other Pharmacologically Active Substances\***

| <b>Pesticides</b> | <b>Max. permissible residual level in ppm</b> |
|-------------------|---|
| Tetracycline      | 0.1   |
| Oxytetracycline   | 0.1   |
| Trimethoprim      | 0.05  |
| Oxolinic acid     | 0.3   |

f. The use of any of the following antibiotics and other pharmacologically active substances shall be prohibited in the culture of or in any hatchery for producing the juveniles or larvae or nauplii of or in any unit manufacturing feed for or in any unit preprocessing or processing shrimp, prawns or any variety of fish intended for exports:

- (i) All Nitrofurans including
  - Furalfadone
  - Furazolidone
  - Furfuramide
  - Nifuratel
  - Nifuroxime
  - Nifurprazine
  - Nitrofurantoin
  - Nitrofurazone
- (ii) Chloramphenicol

- (iii) Neomycin
- (iv) Nalidixic acid
- (v) Sulphamethoxazole
- (vi) Aristolochia spp and preparations thereof
- (vii) Chloroform
- (viii) Chlorpromazine
- (ix) Colchicine
- (x) Dapsone
- (xi) Dimetridazole
- (xii) Metronidazole
- (xiii) Ronidazole
- (xiv) Iprnidazole
- (xv) Other nitroimidazoles
- (xvi) Clenbuterol
- (xvii) Diethylstilbestrol (DES)
- (xviii) Sulfonamide drugs  
(except approved Sulfadimeethoxine, Sulfabromomethazine  
and Sulfaethoxypridazine)
- (xix) Fluoroquinolones
- (xx) Glycopeptides

**\* Note:** However, for export to the European Union, the United States of America and Japan and other countries, the residual levels fixed by individual countries for specified products are to be complied with in respect of (e) and (f) above.