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Guidance document describing the food categories in Part E of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 on Food Additives

These guidance document describing the food categories in Part E of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 on Food Additives was elaborated by Commission services after consultation with the Member States' experts on food additives and the relevant stakeholders.

The descriptions of the categories can be useful for Member State control authorities and food industry to assure correct implementation of the food additives legislation.

The guidance document does not represent the official position of the Commission and they do not intend to produce legally binding effects.

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1333/2008 Introduction

The Union list of food additives approved for use in food and their conditions of use are included in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on food additives. The food additives are listed on the basis of the categories of food to which they may be added e.g. fish and fish products, fruit and vegetables, dairy products, confectionery, etc.

The list allows easy identification of the additives authorised for use in a certain foodstuff, offering greater transparency. The new list is more accessible for all persons involved in any component of the food chain, be it as a consumer, the control authorities or the food industry. The improved transparency allows correct and therefore safer use of food additives.

This guidance document is provided to describe the different categories in order to enhance uniform application and enforcement.

It should be noted that the food categories have been created with the sole purpose of listing the authorised additives and their conditions of use. The food category descriptors are not to be legal product designations nor are they intended for labelling purposes.

Where vertical legislation is referred to in the title of a category the definitions as provided in that legislation apply.

In addition to the description of the categories, the guidance document also describes the foodstuffs in Annex II that are written in italic.

The food category system does not specifically mention compound foodstuffs, e.g. prepared meals, because they may contain, pro rata, all the additives authorised for use in their components via carry over.

Where necessary, this guidance document will be updated to provide further clarification.

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1.	Dairy products and analogues
	<p>This category covers all types of dairy products that are derived from the milk of any milk-producing animal (e.g. cow, sheep, goat, buffalo, ass, horse), excluding products in category 2 "Fats and oils", category 3 "Edible ices", category 14 "Beverages" and category 16 "Desserts". This category also includes dairy analogues (see 1.8). In this category, a "flavoured" product is a product with any kind of taste and/or flavour-giving element added (sugar, sweetener, flavouring, fruit preparation, spices, vegetables, etc.); this shall mean the contrary of "unflavoured".</p> <p>This category also contains corresponding lactose-free products.</p>
1.1.	Unflavoured pasteurised and unflavoured sterilised (including UHT) milk
	This category covers whole, skimmed and semi-skimmed milk as well as milk intended for consumption as liquid milk (e.g. lactose-free products).
1.2.	Unflavoured fermented milk products, including natural unflavoured buttermilk (excluding sterilised buttermilk) non-heat-treated after fermentation
	<p>Fermented milk products are produced by fermentation, either by spontaneous souring by the action of lactic acid-forming bacteria or flavour-forming bacteria, or by inoculation of lactic acid-forming or flavour-forming bacteria.</p> <p>Buttermilk is the nearly milk fat-free fluid remaining from the butter-making process (e.g. the churning of fermented or non-fermented milk and cream). Buttermilk (also known as cultured buttermilk) is also produced by fermentation of fluid milk with relatively low in fat content, by use of the same techniques as described above with regard to fermented milk products in general.</p> <p>This category does not include fermented cream which is in category 1.6.</p>
1.3.	Unflavoured fermented milk products, heat-treated after fermentation
	<p>Including pasteurised or sterilised buttermilk.</p> <p>This category does not include fermented cream, which is in category 1.6.</p>
1.4.	Flavoured fermented milk products including heat-treated products
	<p>This category covers heat-treated and non-heat-treated products. These products can be used as desserts. Other desserts, which do not fall under this category, are included under category 16.</p> <p>This category does not include flavoured fermented cream, which is in category 1.6.3.</p>
1.5.	Dehydrated milk as defined by Directive 2001/114/EC
	This category covers partly dehydrated preserved milk and totally dehydrated preserved

	milk.
1.6.	Cream and cream powder
	Cream is a fluid dairy product, relatively high in fat content in comparison with milk. Includes all fluid, semi-fluid and semi-solid cream products. Cream powder is a milk product which can be obtained by the partial removal of water from cream.
1.6.1.	Unflavoured pasteurised cream (excluding reduced fat creams)
	Cream subjected to pasteurisation by appropriate heat treatment
1.6.2.	Unflavoured live fermented cream products and substitute products, both with a fat content of less than 20 %
	This category covers unflavoured products with a fat content of less than 20%. It covers thickened, viscous cream formed from the action of milk coagulating enzymes, as well as sour cream (cream subjected to lactic acid fermentation). It also includes unflavoured instant whipped cream toppings made of unflavoured live fermented cream with a fat content of less than 20%, and sour cream substitutes. Substitute products in this context are products which have a similar functionality as dairy products, and may contain added ingredients (but not replacing any dairy ingredient).
1.6.3.	Other creams
	This category covers all creams and cream powders that are not mentioned in 1.6.1 and 1.6.2, such as, inter alia, products which have undergone a higher heat treatment than pasteurisation (e.g. sterilised and UHT creams), <i>clotted cream</i> (thick yellow cream), whipping and whipped creams (cream that has been beaten by a mixer, whisk, or fork until it is light and fluffy), other reduced fat creams than those in category 1.6.2. Flavoured whipped creams are covered by category 5.4.
1.7.	Cheese and cheese products
	This category covers cheese and cheese products, defined as products that have water and fat included within a coagulated milk-protein structure.
1.7.1.	Unripened cheese excluding products falling in category 16
	This category covers cheeses which are ready for consumption soon after manufacture, e.g. fresh cheese, unripened cheeses in brine. This category includes: - <i>Mozzarella</i> : stretched soft cheese. - <i>Mascarpone</i> : soft, spreadable, fresh cheese, obtained by acid-heat curdling of milk cream, with a possible addition of milk.
1.7.2.	Ripened cheese
	This category covers cheeses which are not ready for consumption soon after manufacture, but are held under such time and temperature conditions so as to allow the necessary biochemical and physical changes that characterise the specific cheese. Ripened cheese may be soft, semi hard, hard or extra-hard.

	<p>This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Provolone</i>: mature hard/medium hard stretched cheese.
1.7.3.	Edible cheese rind
	The edible rind of the cheese is the exterior portion of the cheese mass that initially has the same composition as the interior portion of the cheese, but which may dry after brining and/ or ripening. In practice, the authorised food colours are for surface treatment of cheese only.
1.7.4.	Whey cheese
	<p>This category covers solid or more or less semi-solid products obtained by concentration of whey with or without the addition of milk, cream or other materials of milk origin and where appropriate up to 5% sugars, and moulding where appropriate of the concentrated product. Including also whey protein cheeses which are principally made by coagulation of whey proteins which are extracted from the whey component of milk. This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Ricotta</i>: solid, fresh dairy product, obtained by heat or acid-heat curdling of whey, with possible addition of milk and/or mild cream and/or whey cream.
1.7.5.	Processed cheese
	This category covers spreadable or solid products obtained by melting and emulsifying cheese, mixtures of cheese and other dairy ingredients such as milk fat, milk protein, milk powder, and water in different amounts. The processed cheese can be flavoured or unflavoured.
1.7.6.	Cheese products (excluding products falling in category 16)
	This category covers dairy products other than cheese, obtained by processing techniques involving coagulation of milk protein, and/or products obtained from milk whose final physical and organoleptic characteristics are similar to those of cheese.
1.8.	Dairy analogues, including beverage whiteners
	This category covers products in which milk proteins or milk fat have been partially or wholly <u>replaced</u> by proteins, fats or oils of non-dairy origin. This category includes cream and cheese analogues and also covers beverage whiteners including milk and cream analogues consisting of a vegetable fat water emulsion in water with milk proteins and lactose.
2.	Fats and oils and fat and oil emulsions
	This category covers all fat-based products that are derived from vegetable or animal sources or their mixtures, including marine sources.
2.1.	Fats and oils essentially free from water (excluding anhydrous milk fat)
	Edible fats and oils are foods composed mainly of triglycerides from vegetable or animal sources, including marine sources.
2.2.	Fat and oil emulsions mainly of water-in-oil type

2.2.1.	Butter and concentrated butter and butter oil and anhydrous milk fat
	This category covers products derived exclusively from milk and/or products obtained from milk by a process that almost completely removes water and non-fat solids following article 115 and Annex XV of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 and liquid emulsions. Excludes reduced fat butter.
2.2.2.	Other fat and oil emulsions including spreads as defined by Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 and liquid emulsions
	<p>This category covers other fat and oil emulsions including spreads as defined by Article 115 and Annex XV of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 and liquid emulsions. The products included are the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Milk fats</u> (products in the form of a solid, malleable emulsion, principally of the water-in-oil type, derived exclusively from milk and/or certain milk products, for which the fat is the essential constituent of value): three-quarter fat butter, half fat butter, dairy spread x%. - <u>Fats</u> (products in the form of a solid, malleable emulsion, principally of the water-in-oil type, derived from solid and/or liquid vegetable and/or animal fats, with a milk fat content of not more than 3 % of the fat content): margarine, three-quarter-fat margarine, half-fat margarine, fat spreads x%. - <u>Fats composed of plant and/or animal products</u> (products in the form of a solid, malleable emulsion principally of the water-in-oil type, derived from solid and/or liquid vegetable and/or animals fats suitable for human consumption, with a milk-fat content of between 10 % and 80 % of the fat content) : Blend, Three-quarter-fat blend, Half-fat blend, Blended spread x%. - <u>Liquid emulsions</u>: liquid margarine that for its properties remains liquid even under cool conditions, used as an alternative for solid margarine or butter.
2.3.	Vegetable oil pan spray
	Cooking spray is a spray form of vegetable oil applied to frying pans and other cookware to prevent food from sticking.
3.	Edible ices
	<p>Edible Ices are foodstuffs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - which are frozen from a liquid state to a more viscous texture, - that are stored, transported, sold and consumed in a frozen state, - that may contain all food ingredients, amongst them all additives, which are authorized by the current provisions.
4.	Fruit and vegetables
	This category covers fruit, vegetables, mushrooms and fungi, roots and tubers, pulses and legumes, seaweeds, nuts and seeds..
4.1.	Unprocessed fruits and vegetables
	This category includes all fruits and vegetables that are unprocessed as defined by Article

	3 of Regulation 1333/2008.
4.1.1.	Entire fresh fruits and vegetables
	Fruits and vegetables presented fresh from harvest.
4.1.2.	Peeled, cut and shredded fruits and vegetables
	This category covers unprocessed fruits and vegetables which have undergone a treatment such as peeling, cutting, trimming or shredding.
4.1.3.	Frozen fruits and vegetables
	This category covers fresh fruits and fresh vegetables that may or may not have been blanched, divided or cut, prior to freezing. The product may be frozen in a juice or sugar syrup. Examples include frozen fruit salad and frozen strawberries. If the fruits and vegetables are blanched in such a way that there is a substantial change its the original state, the products may fall under category 4.2.4.1
4.2.	Processed fruits and vegetables
	This category covers dried, canned, bottled fruits and vegetables, fruits and vegetables in vinegar, oil, or brine; fruit and vegetable preparations and jam, jellies and marmalades and similar products
4.2.1.	Dried fruits and vegetables
	Fruits and vegetables in which the natural water content has been reduced below the amount which is necessary for micro-organism growth, without affecting the important nutrients. Examples include (sugared) dried apple slices, raisins, dried shredded or flaked coconut, prunes, dried ginger, dried mushrooms, dried tomatoes and dried lentil, dried beans, dried peas. The product may or may not be intended for rehydration prior to consumption. Includes vegetable powders that are obtained from drying the juice, such as tomato powder and beet powder.
4.2.2.	Fruits and vegetables in vinegar, oil, or brine
	Products prepared by treating raw vegetables or raw fruits with salt and/or vinegar solution and oil, contributing significantly to the stability of the food. Examples include: pickled cabbage, pickled cucumber, olives, pickled onions, pickled cauliflower, pickled carrots, mushrooms in oil, marinated artichoke hearts, pickled plums, mango pickles, lime pickles, pickled gooseberries, and pickled watermelon rind. This category also includes sweet-sour preserves in vinegar, oil or brine.
4.2.3.	Canned or bottled fruits and vegetables
	Fully preserved product in which fresh fruits or vegetables are cleaned, eventually blanched, and placed with liquid medium in cans, pouches, jars or other recipients, and heat sterilised. This category does not cover compote which is covered by category 4.2.4.2. A canned product consisting of a vegetable with a sauce is partly covered by category 4.2.3. It becomes a compound food on which the carry over principle may apply.

4.2.4.	Fruit and vegetable preparations, excluding products covered by 5.4
	This category covers preparations such as pulp, purées, compote and similar products, as well as whole or pieces of fruit and vegetable preparations prepared by boiling water with high sugar concentration. This category does not cover products that are in vinegar, oil, or brine (covered by category 4.2.2), nor does it cover products in category 4.2.3.
4.2.4.1	Fruit and vegetable preparations excluding compote
	This category covers processed fruit and vegetable products that are not covered by the other subcategories of category 4.2; they may be frozen after processing. The term "processed fruits and vegetables" covers products such as preserves of red fruit, seaweed-based preparations, microalgae preparations, fruit based sauces, fruit-based syrup, aspic, prepared olives and olive based preparations, vegetable purees, pulps and juices and coconut milk. This category includes: - <i>Mostarda di frutta</i> : candy fruit in syrup with mustard. Non fruit toppings are included in category 5.4 and sugar syrups are included in category 11. Fruit syrups in concentrated form, intended for the preparation of flavoured drinks are included in category 14.1.4.
4.2.4.2	Compote, excluding products covered by category 16
	Compote is a product obtained by thermal processing of the edible part of one or several species of fruits, whole or in pieces, sieved or not, without significant concentration. Sugars, water, cider, spices and lemon juice may be used. The most common are apple and peach compote.
4.2.5.	Jam, jellies and marmalades and similar products
	This category covers products defined by Directive 2001/113/EEC and other fruit or vegetable spreads including low-calorie products and low-sugar products. These products must have a soluble dry matter content of 60 % or more (except in certain particular cases as defined in the relevant legislations in compliance with Annex I section II of Directive 2001/113/EEC) as determined by a refractometer, except for products in which sugars have been wholly or partially replaced by sweeteners. This category also covers other fruit or vegetable spreads such as Mermelada, nut butters and nut spreads, including low-calorie products.
4.2.5.1	Extra jam and extra jelly as defined by Directive 2001/113/EC
	'Extra jam' is a mixture, brought to a suitable gelled consistency, of sugars, the non-concentrated pulp of one or more kinds of fruit and water. 'Extra jelly' is an appropriately gelled mixture of sugars and the juice and/or aqueous extracts of one or more kinds of fruit. The quantity of pulp (respectively of fruit juice and/or aqueous extracts) used for the manufacture of 1000 g of finished extra jam (respectively extra jelly) must not be less than 450 g as a general rule (respectively less than that laid down for the manufacture of extra jam). This category includes: - <i>Mermelada</i> Extra: a product prepared by boiling sugar with whole, cut, crushed, sieved or otherwise, fruits, until the preparation becomes thick or semi-liquid. The fruit content should not be less than 50%. It must have a soluble dry matter content between 40% and

	<p>60% as determined by a refractometer.</p> <p>- <i>Pekmez</i> is a traditional product of Croatia, it is a product with suitable thickened consistency produced by boiling fruit pulp and/or fruit puree from one or more kind of fruit, with or without added sugar. The amount of sugar allowed to add to the “pekmez” is up to 25% compared to the total amount of fruit.</p>
4.2.5.2	<p>Jam, jellies and marmalades and sweetened chestnut puree as defined by Directive 2001/113/EC</p>
	<p>This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 'Jam': a mixture, brought to a suitable gelled consistency, of sugars, the pulp and/or purée of one or more kinds of fruit and water (the quantity of pulp and/or purée used for the manufacture of 1000 g of finished product must not be less than 350 g as a general rule). - 'Jelly': an appropriately gelled mixture of sugars and the juice and/or aqueous extracts of one or more kinds of fruit. - 'Marmalade': a mixture, brought to a suitable gelled consistency, of water, sugars and one or more of the following products obtained from citrus fruit: pulp, purée, juice, aqueous extracts and peel. - 'Jelly marmalade': this name may be used where the product contains no insoluble matter except possibly for small quantities of finely sliced peel. - 'Sweetened chestnut purée': a mixture, brought to a suitable consistency, of water, sugar and at least 380 g of chestnut purée for 1000 g of finished product. - <i>Mermelada</i>: a product prepared by boiling sugar with whole, cut, crushed, sieved or otherwise, fruits, until the preparation becomes thick or semi-liquid. The fruit content should not be less than 30%. It must have a soluble dry matter content between 40% and 60% as determined by a refractometer.
4.2.5.3	<p>Other similar fruit or vegetable spreads</p>
	<p>Includes all other fruit- and vegetable-based spreads, such as <i>crème de pruneaux</i> and apple butter. This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Dulce de membrillo</i>: a product prepared by boiling sieved fruit with sugar until it becomes solid with a Brix rating of 55 or more, 45% of fruit content and dark cream to brownish red colour. - <i>Crema de membrillo</i>: a product prepared by boiling sieved fruit with sugar until it becomes solid, with a Brix rating of 55 or more, 50% of fruit content and light cream or slightly tan colour. - <i>Marmelada</i>: Product obtained by boiling the mesocarp of the quince (kweeper/ coing/ quitte/ cotogna), which is reduced to a puree by sieving or a similar process, and has a soluble dry matter content equal or higher than 60%, with a solid consistency and a minimum fruit content of 50% (extra) or 40% (standard).
4.2.5.4	<p>Nut butters and nut spreads</p>
	<p>Nut butter is a spreadable foodstuff made by crushing nuts. The result has a high fat content and can be spread like milk butter. Examples include: peanut butter (a spreadable paste made from roasted and ground peanuts with the addition of peanut oil), other nut butters (e.g. cashew butter), and pumpkin butter. This category excludes sweetened chestnut puree covered by 2001/113/EC and cocoa-based spreads containing nuts (the latter are covered by category 5.2.).</p>

4.2.6.	Processed potato products
	This category covers the following potato products: French fries, frozen or chilled potato specialities and dehydrated potato products (flakes, granules, powder). This category does not cover potato gnocchi which are covered by category 6.4.4. Excluded are snacks based on potato which are covered by category 15.1.
5.	Confectionery
	Includes all cocoa and chocolate products (5.1), other confectionery products that may or may not contain cocoa (5.2), chewing gum (5.3), decorations and icings (05.4).
5.1.	Cocoa and chocolate products as covered by Directive 2000/36/EC
	This category covers all variety of cocoa and chocolate products as defined in Annex I of Directive 2000/36/EC: cocoa butter, cocoa powder, fat-reduced cocoa powder, powdered chocolate, sweetened cocoa powder, chocolate, milk chocolate, family milk chocolate, white chocolate, filled chocolate, <i>chocolate a la taza</i> , <i>chocolate familiar a la taza</i> and praline.
5.2.	Other confectionery including breath freshening micro-sweets
	This category covers hard and soft sweet confectionery with or without added sugar, and products such as sugar-based, starch-based, cocoa-based, dried fruit-based confectionery, cocoa-based sandwich spreads, milk-based sandwich spreads, dried fruit-based sandwich spreads, fat-based sandwich spreads, candied and crystallised and glacéed fruits and vegetables, liquorice, nougats, marzipan, turrón, mazapán, sweet popcorn, snacks, imitation chocolate, chocolate substitute products and cocoa-based products not covered by Directive 2000/36/EC, as well as strongly flavoured freshening throat pastilles and breath freshening micro-sweets (breath freshening sweets whose characteristic dimension is more than 1,5 cm are not considered as micro-sweets).
5.3.	Chewing gum
	This category covers products which are made from a natural or synthetic gum base containing flavourings and flavouring compounds, sweeteners (nutritive or non-nutritive) and other additives. It includes bubble gum and breath-freshener gum products.
5.4.	Decorations, coatings and fillings, except fruit-based fillings covered by category 4.2.4
	This category covers any confectionery product as defined in 5.2 generally used for decorating, coating and/or filling a foodstuff e.g. fine bakery wares, edible ices, candy and confections. It additionally includes non-fruit toppings, glazing, coatings, syrups, sweet sauces and fillings and flavoured whipped creams (cream that has been beaten by a mixer, whisk, or fork until it is light and fluffy, and cream in spray cans) for decorative, coating and filling purposes of a foodstuff. Excluding products covered by 8.2.3. This category excludes chocolate products that are covered by Directive 2000/36/EC. However, their fillings, decorations and coatings are covered by this category if they are not themselves covered by Directive 2000/36/EC. Products covered by category 11 and fruit-based toppings covered by category 4.2.4 are also excluded.
6.	Cereals and cereal products
	This category covers unprocessed and processed products derived from cereal grains, and

	in some cases, as described in subcategories, from roots and tubers, soy beans, pulses and legumes, excluding products from category 7 "Bakery wares". Subcategory 6.2.2. starches may also cover starches from other botanical sources.
6.	Whole, broken, or flaked grain
	This category covers whole, husked, unprocessed cereals and grains that may or may not be frozen. Examples include: barley, corn (maize), oats, rye, spelt, rice (including enriched rice and parboiled rice), sorghum, soy, and wheat.
6.2.	Flours and other milled products and starches
	The basic milled products of cereal grains (and in some cases roots, tubers and pulses).
6.2.1.	Flours
	The basic milled products of vegetable commodities, such as cereal grains, roots, tubers (e.g. cassava), pulses, legumes, soy bean, potatoes with the exception of starches.
6.2.2.	Starches
	Starch is a D-glucose polymer occurring in granular form in certain plant species, notably seeds (e.g. cereals, pulses, corn, wheat, rice, beans, peas) and tubers (e.g. potato). The polymer consists of D-anhydroglucopyranose units which condensate through alpha glycosidic bonds. Native starch is separated by processes that are specific for each raw material. The category includes maltodextrins.
6.3.	Breakfast cereals
	This category covers all ready-to-eat, instant and regular hot breakfast cereal products, including rolled cereals. Examples include: granola-type breakfast cereals, instant oatmeal, farina, corn flakes, puffed wheat or rice, multi-grain (e.g. rice, wheat and corn) breakfast cereals, mueslis, breakfast cereals made from soy or bran, and extruded-type breakfast cereals made from grain flour or powder.
6.4.	Pasta
	Pasta products consist of any kind of shaped product obtained by extruding or forming a dough prepared with durum wheat semolina/ flour or whole durum wheat semolina/flour, and water and/or eggs. Pasta may or may not be dried. Other cereal flours can be used; other ingredients (such as vegetables or spices) may be added to the dough to provide specific textures, colours, aspects or nutritional properties.
6.4.1.	Fresh pasta
	This category covers pastas which production process undergoes a heat treatment for conservation and hygienic purposes. The humidity content of fresh pastas is around 25%. This category does not include prepared meals based on pastas.
6.4.2.	Dry pasta
	This category covers pastas whose humidity content do not generally exceed 13% on dry solids. This category also includes dry pre-cooked pastas which are heat treated (pre-

	cooked). This category does not include prepared meals based on pastas.
6.4.3.	Fresh pre-cooked pasta
	This category covers heat treated fresh pastas (pre-cooked). This category does not include prepared meals based on pastas.
6.4.4.	Gnocchi
	This category covers small balls or cylindrical rods with or without typical line-drawn surfaces, obtained from dough using potatoes and/or wheat flour and/or semolina and/or salt. Eggs, milk, vegetables and a small quantity of fat can be added. Includes pre-cooked gnocchi and fresh potato gnocchi refrigerated
6.4.5.	Fillings of stuffed pasta (ravioli and similar)
	Mixture of fresh, cooked or seasoned meat, fish, vegetables, cheese, ricotta cheese and other various ingredients suitably minced and mixed with salt, breadcrumbs, potato flakes and spices.
6.5.	Noodles
	This category covers treated (i.e. heated, boiled, steamed, cooked, pre-gelatinised or frozen) products, normally dried after treatment, consisting of a dough prepared mainly of cereals and water. Includes instant noodles that are pre-gelatinised, heated and dried prior to sale to the consumer.
6.6.	Batters
	This category includes pre-dusts and doughs usually applied for coating products such as meat, fish, poultry, potato products etc.
6.7.	Pre-cooked or processed cereals
	This category covers pre-cooked and processed rice products, including rice cakes (Oriental type only) and other pre-cooked cereals such as instant rice, <i>polenta</i> and <i>Semmelknödelteig</i> .
7.	Bakery wares
	This category covers products which are prepared mainly with cereal flour or cereals and may have undergone a treatment, e.g. baking, steaming, extrusion. Includes categories for bread and ordinary bakery wares (7.1) as well as sweet or salty fine bakery wares (7.2). Ready-made dough can be included in each subcategory.
7.1.	Bread and rolls
	This category covers all ordinary bakery wares like bread (e.g. wheat bread, rye bread, whole meal bread, multi grain bread, malt bread, pumpernickel bread), rolls (hamburger rolls, whole wheat rolls, milk rolls), bagels, pita bread, Mexican tortillas and steamed breads. This category includes bread-based products, e.g. croutons, bread stuffing, prepared dough (excluding pre-dusts, cereal-based coatings and breaders which are covered by category 6.6).

7.1.1.	Bread prepared solely with the following ingredients: wheat flour, water, yeast or leaven, salt
7.1.2.	Pain courant français; Friss buzakenyer, feher es felbarna kenyerek
	<p><i>Pain courant français</i>: Bread prepared essentially with the following ingredients: bread-making flours (wheat flour, rye flour, meslin flour), water, yeast and/or leaven, salt. Other food ingredients can be added for a technological purpose in accordance with the national general principles.</p> <p><i>Fehér kenyerek</i>: White bread, consisting of 100% of wheat-flour, produced with yeast or yeast substitute, manufactured through kneading, forming, rising and baking of the dough;</p> <p><i>Félbarna kenyerek</i>: Semi-white bread, consisting of 85% semi-white wheat-flour and 15% light rye-flour, produced with yeast or yeast substitute, manufactured through kneading, forming, rising and baking of the dough.</p>
7.2.	Fine bakery wares
	This category covers sweet, salty and savoury products, including prepared doughs for their preparation, such as cookies, cakes, muffins, doughnuts, biscuits, rusks, cereal bars, pastries, pies, scones, cornets, wafers, crumpets, pancakes, gingerbread, éclairs, croissants, as well as unsweetened products such as crackers, crisp breads and bread substitutes. In this category a cracker is a dry biscuit (baked product based on cereal flour), e.g. soda crackers, rye crisps, matzot
8.	Meat
	This category includes all types of meat, poultry, and game products, in pieces and cuts or cominuted, frozen, fresh (8.1) and processed (8.2). This category also covers offal and casings and coatings for meat.
8.1	Unprocessed meat
	'Unprocessed' as defined by Regulations (EC) No 853/2004, 852/2004 and 1333/2008; means not having undergone any treatment resulting in a substantial change in the original state of the foodstuffs. However, they may have been for example divided, parted, severed, boned, minced, skinned, pared, peeled, ground, cut, cleaned, trimmed, deep-frozen, frozen, chilled, milled or husked, packed or unpacked.
8.1.1.	Unprocessed meat other than meat preparations as defined by Regulation (EC) No 853/2004
	Untreated raw meat, poultry and game carcasses, cuts and minced meat. Examples include: beef, hog and pork carcasses, fresh blood, fresh whole chickens and chicken parts, fresh cuts of, e.g. beef, pork, sheep or lamb such as steaks, beef organs (e.g. heart, kidney, intestines), pork tongues and pork chops.
8.1.2.	Meat preparations as defined by Regulation (EC) No 853/2004
	<p>Fresh meat, including meat that has been comminuted or minced, that has had foodstuffs, seasonings or additives added to it or that has undergone processes insufficient to modify the internal muscle fibre structure of the meat and thus to eliminate the characteristics of fresh meat.</p> <p>Meat preparations can fall within the definition of 'unprocessed products' or that of</p>

'processed products'. For example, a meat preparation will fall within the definition of 'processed products' if the actions mentioned in the definition of 'processing' that are applied are insufficient to modify the internal muscle fibre completely through to the centre of the product muscle fibre structure of the meat and thus to eliminate the characteristics of fresh meat.

This category includes:

- fresh sausage
- *Burger meat*, with a minimum vegetable and/or cereal content of 4% mixed within the meat.
- *Breakfast sausage*: In this product, the meat is minced in such a way that the muscle and fat tissues are completely dispersed, so the fibres make an emulsion with the fat, giving the product its typical appearance.
- *Salsicha fresca*: fresh sausage meat products, prepared with minced meat, seasoned with salt, pepper and other spices and stuffed in natural or artificial casings.
- *Longaniza fresca and butifarra fresca*: Meat preparations made from fresh comminuted meat, fat and/or edible meat offal of farmed animal, seasoned with salt, pepper and other spices and additives, mixed and stuffed in natural or artificial casings
- *Gehakt*: minced meat, not being a separator meat, with a fat content of no more than 25%, originating from one or more animals for slaughter, which, by means of chopping, grinding or other means is more or less reduced in size; kneadable in such a way that it can be reshaped into different forms.
- *Gyros*: Produced from whole pieces of one kind of meat or mixtures of different kinds. The origin of the meat can be pork, beef, sheep, chicken, etc. The meat slices are mixed with dry or liquid seasoning, water- or oil-based, salt and the permitted additives and binding materials. The meat preparation is then placed in suitable equipment (tall vertical skewer), which rotates in front of a source of heat for roasting and then is cut in small slices. Addition of proteins up to 2%, starch up to 2%, vegetable fibres and sugars up to 1% and permitted additives.

8.2.	Processed meat
	Processed products resulting from the processing of meat or from the further processing of such processed products, so that the cut surface shows that the product no longer has the characteristics of fresh meat. Processing means any action that substantially alters the initial product, including heating, smoking, curing, maturing, drying, marinating, extraction, extrusion or a combination of those processes.
8.2.1.	Non-heat-treated processed meat
	<p>This category covers several treatment methods (e.g. curing, salting, smoking, drying, fermenting, marinating, pickling, maturing) that preserve and extend the shelf life of meats. Examples: cured and dried ham, fermented and dried sausages.</p> <p>This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Sobrasada</i>: sausage meat products made of minced pig meat and fat (or other animals), seasoned with paprika, salt and spices, mixed to obtain a spreadable paste, encased in natural or reconstituted artificial casings, followed by maturing and drying. - <i>Bratwurst</i>: sausage meat product made of pork and/or beef (or meat of other animals), fat, water, spices, salted (at least 1.5% salt) or cured (at least 1.5% salt with 0.4 to 0.6% sodium nitrate), minced to obtain spreadable sausage filling and stuffed in edible casings;

	<p>intermediate product intended to be eaten after heating.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Leberkäse</i>: sausage meat product made of pork and/or beef (or meat of other animals), fat, water, potato starch, spices, salted (at least 1.5% salt) or cured (at least 1.5% salt with 0.4 to 0.6% sodium nitrate), minced to obtain spreadable sausage filling placed in a baking pan; intermediate product intended to be eaten after heating. - <i>Julskinka</i> and (Swedish) traditional cured pork and beef: meat is injected with curing solution (usually between 2,3 -3% salt) including nitrate (max 150 mg/kg to the product) as a preservative and other additives (ascorbic acid or ascorbates and sometimes phosphate) and may after that be tumbled, stored for maturing or immersed in a curing solution. To be prepared in the households. - <i>Julkorv</i>, <i>grynkorv</i>, <i>värmlandskorv</i> and <i>fläskkorv</i> are Swedish traditional raw sausages made of minced pig and/or beef meat and/or fat. Made with or without the characteristics of an emulsion, seasoned with salt and spices, encased in natural or artificial casings, often followed by maturing. Vegetable fibers such as grain or potato are used in some of these sausage. To be prepared in the households.
8.2.2.	Heat-treated processed meat
	<p>Includes cooked (including cured and cooked, smoked and cooked, and dried and cooked), heat-treated (including sterilised) and canned meat cuts. Examples include: sterilised sausage, cured, cooked ham, cured, cooked pork shoulder, canned chicken meat and meat pieces boiled in soy sauce (tsukudani).</p> <p>This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Libamáj egészben</i> (natural goose liver), a liver product of which at least 90% of it consists of one or more lobes of fattened goose liver and is only salted and preserved by heat treatment. - <i>Libamáj tömbben</i> (block of goose liver), a liver product placed into a mould that may be lined with slice of lard; it contains a minimum of 85% goose liver in the liver paste section without the fat and together with the visible liver pieces; it is preserved by heat treatment. - <i>Foie gras entier</i> is a liver product that consists of a whole fattened liver or one or more lobes of fattened goose or duck liver and a seasoning. - <i>Foie gras</i> is a liver product that consists of pieces of lobes of fattened goose or duck liver and a seasoning. - <i>Le bloc de foie gras</i> is a liver product that consists of reconstituted foie gras of goose or duck and a seasoning.
8.2.3.	Casings and coatings and decorations for meat
	<p>The term "decorations for meat" covers products used for decorating the surface of meat products.</p> <p>The term "casings" refers to edible tubing prepared from collagen, cellulose or natural sources (e.g. hog or sheep intestines) that are intended to contain a sausage mix.</p> <p>This category includes jelly coatings of meat products as well as glazing agents for meat.</p>
8.2.4.	Traditionally cured meat products with specific provisions concerning nitrites and nitrates
8.2.4.1	Traditional immersion cured products (meat products cured by immersion in a curing solution containing nitrites and/or nitrates, salt and other components)

	<p>This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Wiltshire bacon and ham</i>: meat is injected with curing solution followed by immersion curing for 3-10 days. The immersion brine solution also includes microbiological starter cultures. - <i>Entremeada, entrecosto, chispe, orelheira e cabeça (salgados), toucinhofumado</i>: immersion cured for 3-5 days. Product is not heat-treated and has a high water activity. - <i>Cured tongue</i>: in this category, the term "cured tongue" only covers tongues that have been immersion cured for at least 4 days and pre-cooked. - <i>Kylmäsavustettu poronliha renkött</i>: meat is injected with curing solution followed by immersion curing. Curing time is 14-21 days followed by maturation in cold-smoke for 4-5 weeks. - <i>Bacon, filet de bacon</i>: immersion cured for 4-5 days at 5-7°C, matured for typically 24-40 hrs at 22°C, possibly smoked for 24 hrs at 20-25°C and stored for 3-6 weeks at 12-14°C. - <i>Rohschinken, nassgepökelt</i>: curing time depending on the shape and weight of meat pieces for approx. 2 days/kg followed by stabilisation/maturation. <p>Including products produced in a similar way.</p>
8.2.4.2	<p>Traditional dry-cured products (dry curing process involves dry application of curing mixture containing nitrites and/or nitrates, salt and other components to the surface of the meat followed by a period of stabilisation/maturation).</p>
	<p>This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Dry cured bacon and ham</i>: dry curing followed by maturation for at least 4 days. - <i>Jamón curado, paleta curada, lomo embuchado y cecina</i>: dry curing with a stabilisation period of at least 10 days and a maturation period of more than 45 days. - <i>Presunto, presunto da pá and paio do lombo</i> - : - <i>Jambon sec, jambon sel</i> and other similar dried cured products: dry cured for 3 days + 1 day/kg followed by a 1 week post-salting period and an ageing/ripening period of 45 days to 18 months. - <i>Rohschinken, trockengepökelt</i>: curing time depending on the shape and weight of meat pieces for approx. 10-14 days followed by stabilisation/maturation. Includes similar products. - <i>Jamón curado, paleta curada</i>: meat products mad of ham or shoulder of pigs, whole or in pieces, with or without hooves and bones, and subjected to curing process with spices, seasonings and additives, followed by washing, resting or post-salting and drying and maturing at controlled temperature. - <i>Lomo embuchado</i>: product made of pork loins subjected to curing process, seasoned and stuffed in natural or reconstituted artificial casings, followed by drying and maturing. - <i>Cecina</i>: meat product made of fore/hindquarters of domestic ungulates, poultry and game species, subjected to curing process, followed by washing, resting or post-maturing at room temperature. Additionally, a smoked treatment could be made.
8.2.4.3	<p>Other traditionally cured products (immersion and dry cured processes used in combination or where nitrite and/or nitrate is included in a compound product or where the curing solution is injected into the product prior to cooking)</p>
	<p>This category includes:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Rohschinken, trocken-/nassgepökelt</i>: dry curing and immersion curing used in combination (without injection of curing solution). Curing time depending on the shape and weight of meat pieces for approx. 14-35 days followed by stabilisation/maturation. - <i>Jellied veal and brisket</i>: injection of curing solution followed, after a minimum of 2 days, by cooking in boiling water for up to 3 hrs. - <i>Rohwürste (Salami and kantwurst)</i>: product has a minimum 4-week maturation period and a water/protein ratio of less than 1,7. - <i>Salchichón y chorizo tradicionales de larga curación</i>: sausage meat products made of pig minced meat and fat (or other animals), cured, seasoned with pepper and paprika respectively and other spices, stuffed in natural or reconstituted artificial casings, fermented and smoked, subjected to maturing and drying for at least 30 days at controlled temperature. - <i>Vysočina, selský salám, turistický trvanlivý salám</i>: dried product cooked to 70°C followed by 8-12 day drying and smoking process. - <i>Poličan, hercules, lovecký salám, dunjaská klobása, paprikás</i>: fermented product subject to 14-30 day three-stage fermentation process followed by smoking. - <i>Saucissons secs</i>: raw fermented dried sausage without added nitrites. Product is fermented at temperatures in the range of 18-22°C or lower (10-12°C) and then has a minimum ageing/ripening period of 3 weeks. Product has a water/protein ratio of less than 1,7. Including similar products.
9.	Fish and fisheries products
	This category covers fish and fisheries products, including molluscs, crustaceans and echinoderms.
9.1.	Unprocessed fish and fisheries products
	This category covers unprocessed products as defined by Regulations (EC) No 853/2004, 852/2004 and 1333/2008. The products may be cleaned, gutted, headed, filleted, peeled, cut into pieces etc. The products can be chilled, frozen and deep frozen.
9.1.1.	Unprocessed fish
	This category covers the group of fish. These products are untreated except for refrigeration, storage on ice, or freezing upon catching at sea or in lakes or other bodies of water in order to prevent decomposition and spoilage.
9.1.2.	Unprocessed molluscs and crustaceans
	This category covers the group of molluscs and crustaceans. These products are untreated except for refrigeration, storage on ice, or freezing upon catching at sea or in lakes or other bodies of water in order to prevent decomposition and spoilage.
9.2.	Processed fish and fishery products including molluscs and crustaceans
	This category includes smoked, fermented, dried, heat treated and/or salted fish and fisheries products, including molluscs and crustaceans. These products may be placed in cans, with or without liquid (e.g. water, brine, oil), or packed under vacuum or modified atmosphere. This category also covers surimi and similar products which are obtained from fish proteins and processed into various shapes, as well as fish fillings, fish pastes and crustacean pastes. Roe products that are cooked or smoked are also included. The products may be frozen after processing.

	<p>Semi-preserved fish and fish products: products treated by methods such as marinating, pickling and partial cooking that have a limited shelf life and require chill storage (<10°C).</p> <p>Fully preserved fish and fish products: products with extended shelf life, manufactured by pasteurizing or steam retorting and packaging in vacuum sealed air-tight containers to ensure sterility. Products may be packed in their own juice or in added oil or sauce.</p>
9.3.	Fish roe
	Roe are usually washed, salted and allowed to ripen until transparent. The roe are then packaged in glass or other suitable containers. The term 'caviar' refers only to the roe of the sturgeon species (e.g. beluga). Caviar substitutes are made of roe from various sea and freshwater fish (e.g. lumpfish, cod and herring) that are salted, spiced, dyed and may be treated with a preservative. Occasionally, roe may be pasteurised. Cooked or smoked roe products and roe paste are included in category 9.2; fresh fish roe can be found in category 9.1.
10.	Eggs and egg products
	This category covers all fresh in-shell eggs and other egg products.
10.1.	Unprocessed eggs
	This category covers unprocessed eggs in their shell.
10.2.	Processed eggs and egg products
	This category covers eggs and egg products which may have been frozen, dehydrated, dried or concentrated, as well as boiled eggs.
11.	Sugars, syrups, honey and table-top sweeteners
	Includes all standardised sugars (11.1), non-standardised products (11.2), honey (11.3) and table top sweeteners (11.4).
11.1.	Sugars and syrups as defined by Directive 2001/111/EC
	This category includes semi-white sugar, sugar or white sugar, extra-white sugar, sugar solution, invert sugar solution, invert sugar syrup, glucose syrup, dried glucose syrup, dextrose or dextrose monohydrate, dextrose or dextrose anhydrous, fructose. Excluded are icing sugars, candy sugars and sugars in loaf form.
11.2.	Other sugars and syrups
	This category covers unflavoured sugars and syrups which are not covered by Directive 2001/111, including co-products of the sugar refining process, maple syrup, icing sugars, candy sugars or sugars in loaf form. Excluded are speciality sugars and pouring syrups, e.g. coloured sugar toppings for cookies and flavoured syrups for fine bakery wares and ices which fall under category 5.4 "Decorations coatings and fillings".
11.3.	Honey as defined in Directive 2001/110/EC

	Honey is the natural sweet substance produced by <i>Apis mellifera</i> bees from the nectar of plants or from secretions of living parts of plants or excretions of plant-sucking insects on the living parts of plants. This category covers the main types of honey according to origin and to mode of production/presentation including 'Baker's honey'.
11.4.	Table-top sweeteners
	'Table-top sweeteners' as defined in Article 3(g) of Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008, means preparations of permitted sweeteners, which may contain other food additives and/or food ingredients and which are intended for sale to the final consumer as a substitute for sugars.
11.4.1.	Table-top sweeteners in liquid form
	This category covers table-top sweeteners marketed in the form of liquids intended to be used in food/drinks as sugar replacers
11.4.2.	Table-top sweeteners in powder form
	This category covers table top sweeteners marketed in the form of powder intended to be used in food/drinks as sugar replacers.
11.4.3.	Table-top sweeteners in tablets
	This category covers table top sweeteners marketed in the form of tablets, intended to be dissolved in liquids before consumption.
12.	Salts, spices, soups, sauces, salads and protein products
	This is a broad category that includes substances added to food for its flavour and taste (salt and salt substitutes; herbs, spices, seasonings and condiments, vinegars and mustards), certain prepared foods and products composed primarily of protein that are derived from soy beans or from other sources.
12.1.	Salt and salt substitutes
	This category covers food-grade salt (sodium chloride, see CX STAN 150-1985) and salt substitutes. These products may contain ammonium chloride and potassium chloride.
12.1.1.	Salt
	Salt primarily refers to food-grade sodium chloride. It includes table salt, salt fortified with iodine, fluoride and/or folic acid, as well as dendritic (ramified) salt.
12.1.2.	Salt substitutes
	Salt substitutes are mixtures with reduced sodium content intended to be used as alternatives to salt in food.
12.2.	Herbs, spices, seasonings
	This category describes foodstuffs whose use is intended to enhance the flavour and taste of food.
12.2.1.	Herbs and spices

	Herbs and spices are edible parts of plants that are traditionally added to foodstuffs for their natural flavouring, aromatic and visual properties. This category includes frozen herbs and spices, mixtures that only contain herbs and spices and, if necessary, permitted additives. Herbs presented in fresh state are included in category 4.1. Unprocessed fruits and vegetables.
12.2.2.	Seasonings and condiments
	A seasoning is a blend of food ingredients added as necessary to achieve an improvement in taste, eating quality and/or functionality of a food. It typically contains one or more herbs and/or spices and other flavour-enhancing or flavour-imparting ingredients. A condiment is usually added to a meal to provide a particular taste or enhance its flavour. The term 'condiments' as used in the FCS includes seasonings such as onion salt, garlic salt, Oriental seasoning mix (dashi), topping to sprinkle on rice (furikake, containing, e.g. dried seaweed flakes, sesame seeds and seasoning), but it does not include condiment sauces such as ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard or relishes.
12.3.	Vinegars
	Liquid produced either by the biological process of alcoholic and/or acetous fermentation of liquids or other substances from agricultural origin (e.g. fruits, cereal grains, fruit wine, cider, distilled alcohol, malt), either by distillation of malt vinegar under reduced pressure. Plants or parts of plant, including spices and fruits, sugar, salt, honey, fruit juices may be added for flavouring purposes.
12.4.	Mustard
	“Condiment sauce prepared from ground often defatted mustard seed that is mixed into slurry with other ingredients such as water, vinegar, salt, juice of unripe grapes, grape must, fruit juice, alcoholic beverage or other potable liquids, oil and other spices and refined”
12.5.	Soups and broths
	This category covers ready-to-eat soups and concentrated (e.g. in powder form or semi dehydrated) products to be reconstituted before consumption.
12.6.	Sauces
	This category covers ready-to-eat, dehydrated or concentrated products, including sauce, gravy, vinaigrette, mayonnaise, ketchup and tomato-based sauces, salad cream, dressing, marinades and similar products. Emulsified sauces are based, at least in part, on a fat- or oil-in water emulsion. Non-emulsified sauces include inter alia barbecue sauce, tomato ketchup, cheese sauce, chilli sauce, sweet and sour dipping sauce etc. This category does not cover vegetable preparations which serve as basis for sauce (belonging to category 4.2) as well as products covered under category 5.4, e.g. non-fruit toppings, glazing, coatings, syrups, sweet sauces for decorative, coating and/or filling purposes. This category does not cover either jelly coatings of meat products or glazing agents for meat which are covered by category 8.2.3.
12.7.	Salads and savoury based sandwich spreads

	<p>This category covers prepared or dressed salad, spreadable salad, meat salad or fish salad. Potato salad, eggplant salad, tzatziki, humus and similar products are considered vegetable-based salads or sandwich spreads.</p> <p>This category includes <i>Feinkostsalat</i> as defined by the Leitsätze des Deutschen Lebensmittelbuchs für Feinkostsalate which describes <i>feinkostsalat</i> as ready-to-eat products produced from ingredients of animal and/or vegetable origin in a complementary sauce. It can be produced on the basis of meat products, processed fish, crustacean and/or mollusc products, vegetables, fruits, mushrooms, cheese, eggs, pasta, rice.</p>
12.8.	Yeast and yeast products
	This category includes Baker's yeast and leaven used in the manufacture of baked goods and alcoholic beverages. It also covers yeast derivatives such as yeast extracts.
12.9.	Protein products, excluding products covered in category 1.8
	This category includes protein analogues or substitutes for standard products, such as meat, fish or milk; including gelatine and unflavoured soy drinks. These products can contain sugar and/or flavouring to improve taste acceptance, however they do not have a pronounced sweet taste and/or flavoured taste.
13.	Foods intended for particular nutritional uses as defined by Directive 2009/39/EC
	This category covers foodstuffs which, owing to their special composition or manufacturing process, are clearly distinguishable from foodstuffs for normal consumption, which are suitable for their claimed nutritional purposes and are marketed in such a way as to indicate such suitability.
13.1.	Foods for infants and young children
	<p>This category covers Infant and Follow-on formulae as defined by Directive 2006/141/EC, processed cereal-based foods and baby foods for infants and young children as defined by Directive 2006/125/EC, other foods for young children, and dietary foods for infants and young children for special medical purposes.</p> <p>For the purposes of these descriptors, the following definitions shall apply: 'infants' means children under the age of 12 months; 'young children' means children aged between one and three years.</p>
13.1.1.	Infant formulae as defined by Commission Directive 2006/141/EC
	This category covers food used by infants during the first months of life and satisfying by themselves the nutritional requirements of such infants until the introduction of appropriate complementary feeding.
13.1.2.	Follow-on formulae as defined by Directive 2006/141/EC
	This category covers food used by infants when appropriate complementary feeding is introduced and constituting the principal liquid element in a progressively diversified diet of such infants.
13.1.3.	Processed cereal-based foods and baby foods for infants and young children as defined by Commission Directive 2006/125/EC

	This category covers foods fulfilling the particular requirements of infants from 4 up to 12 months and young children in good health in the Community. It comprises 'processed cereal-based foods' and other 'baby foods'. Baby foods are foodstuffs destined to children of at least 4 months (see Article 8 of Commission Directive 2006/125).
13.1.4.	Other foods for young children
	This category covers foods for young children not standardised by Directive 2006/125/EC such as milk-based products for young children.
13.1.5.	Dietary foods for infants and young children for special medical purposes as defined by Commission Directive 1999/21/EC and special formulae for infants
	This category covers foods for particular nutritional uses specially processed or formulated and intended for the dietary management of infants and young children and to be used under medical supervision.
13.1.5.1	Dietary foods for infants for special medical purposes and special formulae for infants
	This category covers dietary foods for infants for special medical purposes and special formulae such as premature infant formulae, hospital discharge formulae, low and very low birth weight formulae, and human breast milk fortifiers.
13.1.5.2	Dietary foods for babies and young children for special medical purposes as defined in Directive 1999/21/EC
	This category covers foods specially processed or formulated and intended for the dietary management of babies and young children, to be used under medical supervision. This includes for example the dietary management of infants and young children with metabolic or gastrointestinal disorders, or single or multiple food allergies or intolerances (e.g. cow's milk protein allergy, protein mal-absorption) and for general tube feeding. Baby foods are foodstuffs destined to children of at least 4 months (see Article 8 of Commission Directive 2006/125).
13.2.	Dietary foods for special medical purposes defined in Directive 1999/21/EC (excluding products from food category 13.1.5)
	This category covers foods specially processed or formulated intended for the dietary management of patients and to be used under medical supervision.
13.3.	Dietary foods for weight control diets intended to replace total daily food intake or an individual meal (the whole or part of the total daily diet)
	This category covers foods (including formula) that when presented as 'ready-to-eat' or prepared in conformity with the directions for use, are specifically presented as replacements for all or part of the total daily diet.
13.4.	Foods suitable for people intolerant to gluten as defined by Commission Regulation (EC) No 41/2009
	This category covers foods which are specially produced, prepared and/or processed to meet the special dietary needs of people intolerant to gluten.
14.	Beverages

	This major category is divided into the broad categories of non-alcoholic (14.1) and alcoholic (14.2) beverages. Excludes products covered by category 1.
14.1.	Non-alcoholic beverages
	This category includes waters and carbonated waters (14.1.1), fruit and vegetable juices (14.1.2), fruit and vegetable nectars (14.1.3), flavoured carbonated and non-carbonated, either water-based, dairy-based, cereal-based, or other food-based drinks (14.1.4), coffee, tea and infusions belonging to category 14.1.5.
14.1.1.	Water, including natural mineral water as defined in Directive 2009/54/EC and spring water and all other bottled or packed waters
	This category includes natural mineral waters, spring waters, table waters and soda waters. 'Spring water' must comply with the requirements laid down in Directive 2009/54/EC. 'Prepared table and soda water' includes waters other than natural mineral and spring waters which may be carbonated by the addition of carbon dioxide and may be processed by filtration, or other suitable means. 'Soda water' is effervescent water artificially charged with carbon dioxide. Synonyms are: carbonated water, sparkling water, seltzer, or fizzy water. In water, the soda added for its effervescent effect is considered an ingredient. This category also includes unflavoured frozen water (ice cubes).
14.1.2.	Fruit juices as defined by Directive 2001/112/EC and vegetable juices
	This category includes fruit juice, fruit juice from concentrate, concentrated fruit juice, water extracted fruit juice and dehydrated/powdered fruit juice. Vegetable juices are not covered by Directive 2001/112/EC.
14.1.3.	Fruit nectars as defined by Directive 2001/112/EC and vegetable nectars and similar products
	This category covers fruit nectars as mixtures of: - water and/or sugars and/or honey and/or sweeteners - and products covered by category 14.1.2, and/or fruit purée and/or concentrated fruit purée and/or a mixture of those products. This category also covers vegetable nectars, which are not covered by Directive 2001/112/EC.
14.1.4.	Flavoured drinks
	This category covers flavoured carbonated and non-carbonated drinks, concentrates such as fruit syrups, squashes and cordials, and powders for their preparation. It includes water-, dairy-, cereal-, vegetable- or fruit-based drinks, including so-called "sport", "energy" or "electrolyte" drinks. They may contain 'probiotic ferments and ingredients'. This category excludes products which are covered by categories 14.1.1, 14.1.2, 14.1.3 and 14.1.5 and 12.9.
14.1.5.	Coffee, tea, herbal and fruit infusions, chicory; tea, herbal and fruit infusions and chicory extracts; tea, plant, fruit and cereal preparations for infusions, as well as mixes and

	instant mixes of these products
	Includes the ready-to-drink products (e.g. canned), and their mixes and concentrates. Examples include: chicory-based hot beverages (postum), rice tea, mate tea, and mixes for hot coffee and tea beverages (e.g. instant coffee, powder for hot cappuccino beverages).
14.1.5.1	Coffee, coffee extracts
	This category includes treated coffee beans (the seed of the coffee plant consisting mostly of endosperm) for the manufacture of coffee products and coffee extracts, which are the concentrated product obtained by extraction from roasted coffee beans using only water as the medium of extraction and excluding any process of hydrolysis involving the addition of an acid or a base. The coffee-based dry matter content must comply with the specifications of Directive 1999/4/EC. Coffee extract in solid or paste form must contain no substances other than those derived from the extraction of coffee. Liquid coffee extract may contain edible sugars, whether or not roasted, in a proportion not exceeding 12% by weight. Includes unflavoured instant coffee.
14.1.5.2	Other
	<p>This category covers coffee-based drinks, flavoured instant coffee, flavoured roast coffee, coffee substitutes, tea, herbal and fruit infusions, flavoured tea infusions and other hot cereal and grain beverages. Coffee and tea flavoured drinks belong to category 14.1.4.</p> <p><u>Tea</u> is derived solely and exclusively from the tender shoots of varieties of the species <i>Camellia sinensis</i> L. O. Kuntze and produced by acceptable processes for making a tea infusion suitable for consumption as a beverage (e.g.: black tea, green tea, white tea, pu-erh tea, kukicha, etc.)</p> <p><u>Herbal and Fruit Infusion</u> materials are plants or parts of plants that do not originate from the tea plant (<i>Camellia sinensis</i> L. O. Kuntze) and are intended for food use by brewing with freshly boiling water (e.g.: peppermint tea, rooibos tea, mate tea). They also include blends of herbal and fruit infusions with tea as a minor component.</p> <p>The term "tea" resp. "herbal and fruit infusion" covers both the dry product as well as the beverage (brew).</p> <p>There are also Flavoured Teas and Herbal and Fruit Infusions available like jasmine tea, rice tea (Genmaicha), black tea with strawberry flavour, black tea with lemon flavour, etc.</p>
14.2.	Alcoholic beverages, including alcohol-free and low-alcohol counterparts
	The alcohol-free and low-alcoholic counterparts are included in the same category as the alcoholic beverage. This includes alcohol-free and low-alcoholic counterparts for beer and malt beverages, wine, cider and perry, fruit wine and made wine, mead and aromatised wine-based products.
14.2.1.	Beer and malt beverages
	Alcoholic beverages brewed from (malted) cereals, other starch sources and/or certain sugars intended for human consumption, hops, yeast, and water. Examples include: ale,

	brown beer, weiss beer, pilsner, lager beer, oud bruin beer, Obergariges Einfachbier, light beer, table beer, malt liquor, porter, stout, and barleywine.
14.2.2.	Wine and other products defined by Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007, and alcohol-free counterparts
	<p>This category covers wine, new wine still in fermentation, liqueur wine, sparkling wine, quality sparkling wine, quality aromatic sparkling wine, aerated sparkling wine, semi-sparkling wine, aerated semi-sparkling wine, grape must, partially fermented grape must, partially fermented grape must extracted from raisined grapes, concentrated grape must, rectified concentrated grape must, wine from raisined grapes, wine of overripe grapes, and wine vinegar, as defined in ANNEX XIb of R(EC)No 1234/2007.</p> <p>This category does not cover grape juice, which is covered by category 14.1.2.</p>
14.2.3.	Cider and perry
	<p>Fruit wines made from apples (cider) and pears (perry). This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Cidre bouché</i>: product obtained from the fermentation of fresh apple musts or of a mixture of fresh apple and pear musts, extracted with or without the addition of water. It has a content of carbonic anhydride of minimum 3 g/l for <i>cidres bouchés</i> obtained by natural fermentation in bottle and of 4 g/l for the others <i>cidres bouchés</i>.
14.2.4.	Fruit wine and made wine
	<p>Includes wines made from fruit, other than beverages covered by categories 14.2.2 and 14.2.3, and from other agricultural products, including grain (e.g. rice). These wines may be still or sparkling. Examples include: rice wine (sake), and sparkling and still fruit wines. This category also covers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - British wine and sherry that is usually made by the importation of grape must; - Products defined in Polish decree: ustawa z dnia 12 maja 2011 r. o wyrobie i rozlewie wyrobów winiarskich, obrotie tymi wyrobami i organizacji rynku wina (Dz. U. z 2011 r. Nr 120, poz. 690 with further changes): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>wino owocowe markowe</i> - <i>wino owocowe wzmocnione</i>, - <i>wino owocowe aromatyzowane</i>, - <i>wino z soku winogronowego</i>, - <i>aromatyzowane wino z soku winogronowego</i>, <p><i>wino owocowe markowe (mark fruit wine)</i> - fermented alcoholic beverage with an actual alcoholic strength by volume from 8,5 % to 15 %, produced as a result of alcoholic fermentation of fruits, without addition of alcohol, possible sweetened only by saccharose or fruit must, maturated for at least 6 months</p> <p><i>wino owocowe wzmocnione (fortified fruit wine)</i> – fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 16 % to 22%, produced as a result of alcoholic</p>

	<p>fermentation of fruits, with addition of alcohol, possible sweetened</p> <p><i>wino owocowe aromatyzowane</i> (aromatised fruit wine) - fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 8,5 % to 18% , aromatised by substances other than derived from grapes, combined with more than 75% by vol. of fruit wine with possible addition of alcohol.</p> <p><i>wino z soku winogronowego</i> (wine from grape juice) - fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 8,5 % to 18%, produced as a result of alcoholic fermentation of grape juice with possible addition of alcohol.</p> <p><i>aromatyzowane wino z soku winogronowego</i> (aromatised wine from grape juice)- fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 6,5 % to 18%, aromatised, combined with more than 75% by vol. of wine from grape juice with possible addition of alcohol</p>
14.2.5.	Mead
	Alcoholic liquor made from fermented honey, malt and spices, or just of honey. Includes honey wine.
14.2.6.	Spirit drinks as defined in Regulation (EC) No 110/2008
	Examples are: rum, whisky or whiskey, grain and wine spirits, brandy or weinbrand; fruit spirit, vodka, gin, pastis, liqueur.
14.2.7.	Aromatised wine-based products as defined by Regulation (EEC) No 1601/91
	This category covers the following three subcategories: 'aromatised wines', 'aromatised wine-based drinks' and 'aromatised wine-product cocktails' as defined by Regulation (EEC) No 1601/91 and includes also its alcohol-free and low-alcohol counterparts.
14.2.7.1	Aromatised wines
	A drink obtained from one or more of the wine products defined in the Regulation, possibly with added grape must and/or grape must in fermentation, to which alcohol has been added and which has been flavoured. It has a minimum actual alcoholic strength by volume of 14,5 % vol. or more and a maximum of less than 22 % vol.
14.2.7.2	Aromatised wine-based drinks
	A drink obtained from one or more wines, possibly with added grape must and/or partially fermented grape must, which has been flavoured and which has an actual alcoholic strength by volume of 7 % vol. or more and less than 14,5 % vol.
14.2.7.3	Aromatised wine-product cocktails
	A drink obtained from wine and/or grape must which has been flavoured and which has an actual alcoholic strength by volume of less than 7 % vol.
14.2.8.	Other alcoholic drinks including mixtures of alcoholic drinks with non-alcoholic drinks and spirits with less than 15 % of alcohol
	Includes all other alcoholic drinks which are not covered by categories from 14.2.1 to 14.2.7, such as mixtures of alcoholic drinks with non-alcoholic drinks and spirits with

less than 15 % of alcohol. This category includes fermented grape must-based drink, which is a sparkling alcoholic drink produced by fermentation of grape must with an alcoholic strength (% v/v) between 4.5 and 5.5.

Following products defined by the in Polish decree: ustawa z dnia 12 maja 2011 r. o wyrobie i rozlewie wyrobów winiarskich, obrocie tymi wyrobami i organizacji rynku wina (Dz. U. z 2011 r. Nr 120, poz. 690 with further changes) are included:

- *nalewka na winie owocowym,*
- *aromatyzowana nalewka na winie owocowym,*
- *nalewka na winie z soku winogronowego,*
- *aromatyzowana nalewka na winie z soku winogronowego*
- *napój winny owocowy lub miodowy*
- *aromatyzowany napój winny owocowy lub miodowy,*
- *wino owocowe niskoalkoholowe,*
- *aromatyzowane wino owocowe niskoalkoholowe.*

nalewka na winie owocowym (tincture on fruit wine) - fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 17 % to 22%, combined with more than 60% by vol. of fruit wine or fortified fruit wine and at least 10% of liquid derived from macerated fruits in ethyl alcohol with possible addition of alcohol.

aromatyzowana nalewka na winie owocowym (aromatised tincture on fruit wine) – fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 17 % to 22%, aromatised, combined with more than 60% by vol. of wine of fruit wine or fortified fruit wine and at least 10% of liquid derived from macerated fruits in ethyl alcohol with possible addition of alcohol.

nalewka na winie z soku winogronowego (tincture on wine from grape juice) - fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 17 % to 22%, combined with more than 60% by vol. of wine from grape juice and at least 10% of liquid derived from macerated fruits in ethyl alcohol with possible addition of alcohol.

aromatyzowana nalewka na winie z soku winogronowego (aromatised tincture on wine from grape juice) – fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 17 % to 22%, aromatised, combined with more than 60% by vol. of wine from grape juice and at least 10% of liquid derived from macerated fruits in ethyl alcohol with possible addition of alcohol.

napój winny owocowy lub miodowy (fruit or honey wine-based drink) – fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 4,5 to 15%, produced from fruit wine or mead, containing at least 50% of those products, without addition of alcohol.

aromatyzowany napój winny owocowy lub miodowy (aromatised fruit or honey wine-based drink) – fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 4,5 to 15%, aromatised, produced from fruit wine or mead, containing at least 50% of those products, without addition of alcohol.

	<p><i>wino owocowe niskoalkoholowe</i> (low alcoholic fruit wine) –fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 0,5 to 8,5 %, produced as a result of alcoholic fermentation of fruits or from fruit wine with partly, physically removed alcohol, without addition of alcohol.</p> <p><i>aromatyzowane wino owocowe niskoalkoholowe</i> (aromatised low alcoholic fruit wine) – fermented alcoholic beverage with actual strength by volume from 0,5 to 8,5 %, aromatised, produced as a result of alcoholic fermentation of fruits or from fruit wine with partly, physically removed alcohol, without addition of alcohol</p>
15.	Ready-to-eat savouries and snacks
	This category covers potato-, cereal-, flour- or starch-based snacks and processed nuts.
15.1.	Potato-, cereal-, flour- or starch-based snacks
	In this category the starch originates from cereals, roots and tubers, pulses and legumes. Includes all savoury snacks, usually salted, with or without added flavourings. Examples include potato crisps, salted popcorn, pretzels, rice crackers, .
15.2.	Processed nuts
	This category covers processed nuts and similar processed seeds such as sunflower seeds, consumed as a snack. It includes all types of whole nuts processed by, e.g. dry-roasting, roasting, marinating or boiling, either in-shell or shelled, salted or unsalted. Yoghurt-, cereal-, and honey-covered nuts, and dried fruit-nut-and-cereal snacks (e.g. 'trail mixes') are classified here.
16.	Desserts excluding products covered in categories 1, 3 and 4
	<p>This category covers products usually flavoured and sweet in taste. This includes dairy-, fat-, fruit- and vegetable-, cereal-, egg-, and water-based products, e.g. Crème brûlée, flan, panna cotta, Bayrische Crème, lemon curd, junkets and puddings of all sorts. This category includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Christmas pudding</i>: made with flour, suet, dried fruit, brandy and spices. - <i>Pascha</i>: made of quark and other dairy products, often spiced with almonds and raisins. - <i>Ostkaka</i>: the base of the pudding is the curd cheese, made of milk and rennet; the separated whey is taken away and principally cream, eggs and almonds are added. - <i>Frugtgrød</i>: made from fruit (usually berries), sugar, starch and various additives. <p>This category does not cover products which are covered by category 1 "Dairy products and analogues", category 3 "Edible ices", category 4 "Fruit and vegetables" or category 7.2. "Fine bakery wares".</p>
17.	Food supplements as defined in Directive 2002/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council excluding food supplements for infants and young children
	This category covers pre dosed foodstuffs of which the purpose is to supplement the normal diet and which are concentrated sources of nutrients or other substances with a nutritional or physiological effect, alone or in combination, marketed in dose form, namely forms such as capsules, pastilles, tablets, pills and other similar forms, sachets of powder, ampoules of liquids, drop dispensing bottles, and other similar forms of liquids

	and powders designed to be taken in measured small unit quantities.
17.1.	Food supplements supplied in a solid form including capsules and tablets and similar forms, excluding chewable forms
	This category includes supplements in tablet, powder or granule form. It covers inter alia tablets to be dissolved in liquid before consumption (effervescent tablets), pills, pastilles, capsules containing liquids (fish oil supplements) and other forms of powders designed to be taken in measured small unit quantities.
17.2.	Food supplements supplied in a liquid form
	This category includes supplements marketed in the form of liquids and to be consumed as liquids, like ampoules of liquids, drop dispensing bottles, and other similar forms of liquids.
17.3.	Food supplements supplied in a syrup-type or chewable form
	This category includes supplements marketed under the form of syrup or a chewable form (e.g. chewable capsule, jelly-type supplement and other chewable forms, excluding chewable tablets) and intended to be consumed as such.
18.	Processed foods not covered by categories 1 to 17, excluding foods for infants and young children
	In principle, the authorisation of additives in compound food (e.g. prepared or composite dishes) is covered by Article 18(1) (a) and (c) of Regulation (EC) 1333/2008. Only in those cases when additional uses of additives are required could they be listed here.