



**18 June 2014**  
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## **Administrative Assessment Report –Proposal P1034**

### **Chemical Migration from Packaging into Food**

<b>Brief Description of Proposal:</b> To assess the public health and safety risk of chemicals which may migrate from packaging materials into food, and to identify and manage any risks.		<b>Potentially affected Standards:</b> 1.4.3; 1.4.1; 2.6.2; 3.2.2.
<b>Procedure:</b> Major	<b>Estimated hours:</b> 2848	<b>Estimated start work:</b> January 2014
<b>Reasons why:</b> The proposal will involve complex scientific and technical assessment to support consideration of measures which mitigate risks from chemicals which may migrate from packaging materials into food.	<b>Reasons why:</b> Internal multidisciplinary team; complex scientific and technical assessment; breadth of issues with a number of interdependencies; potentially complex drafting; establishment of /liaison with external advisory and technical groups; high level of targeted and public consultation.	

#### **Other Comments or Relevant Matters:**

This Proposal is prepared under s 113(6) of the FSANZ Act. Before preparing this proposal, FSANZ undertook a review of Standard 1.4.3 – Articles and Materials in Contact with Food and other relevant provisions in the Code. The purpose of the review was to develop a detailed record and understanding of regulatory issues to inform the development of this proposal.

#### **Decision**

**Proposal prepared**

Date: 13 June 2014

### **Consultation & assessment timeframe**

**Proposed length of public consultation periods:** 6 weeks for the consultation paper and assessment; 8 weeks for consultation on the draft food regulatory measures.

Three opportunities for public consultation are planned during the assessment of the proposal. An additional round of public comment (other than the two required in the FSANZ Act) has been incorporated in the proposed timeframe given the need to gather further information about industry practices and consult broadly with a diverse and extensive industry. Targeted consultation with key stakeholders may also be needed on some issues.

#### **Proposed timeframe:**

Commence assessment (clock start)	Late June 2014
Public comment (Consultation Paper)	Early Nov–mid Dec 2014
Completion of assessment	Early Dec 2015
Public comment	Mid-Dec 2015–early Feb 2016
Preparation of draft food regulatory measure (if required)	Mid-June 2016
Public comment	Late June– late Aug 2016
Board to complete approval	Early Dec 2016
Notification to Forum	Mid-Dec 2016
Anticipated gazettal if no review requested	Late Feb 2017