

**Food Standards (Proposal P1025 – Code Revision) Variation**

The Board of Food Standards Australia New Zealand gives notice of the making of this standard under section 92 of the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991*. The Standard commences on 1 March 2016.

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Note:

This Standard will be published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. FSC 96 on 10 April 2015.

Standard 2.10.3 Chewing gum

***Note 1*** This instrument is a standard under the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991* (Cth). The standards together make up the *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code.* See also section 1.1.1—3.

***Note 2*** The provisions of the Code that apply in New Zealand are incorporated in, or adopted under, the *Food Act 2014* (NZ). See also section 1.1.1—3.

2.10.3—1 Name

This Standard is *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code* – Standard 2.10.3 – Chewing gum.

***Note*** Commencement:This Standard commences on 1 March 2016, being the date specified as the commencement date in notices in the *Gazette* and the New Zealand Gazette under section 92 of the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991* (Cth). See also section 93 of that Act.

2.10.3—2 Definition

***Note*** In this Code (see section 1.1.2—2):

***releasable calcium***, ***CaR***, means the amount of calcium, in mg/g of chewing gum, released into the mouth during 20 minutes of chewing that is calculated using the following equation:



where:

***CaO*** is the original calcium concentration in the chewing gum in mg/g of chewing gum.

***WO*** is the weight of the original chewing gum in g.

***CaC*** is the residual calcium in the gum after it has been chewed for 20 minutes in mg/g of chewing gum.

***WC*** is the weight of the chewed gum in g.

***small package*** means a package with a surface area of less than 100 cm2.

2.10.3—3 Addition of calcium to chewing gum

Calcium may be added to chewing gum only if:

(a) the chewing gum contains no more than 0.2% residual sugars; and

(b) the calcium is in a permitted form specified in section S17—3.

2.10.3—4 Claims about the presence of calcium in chewing gum

(1) Despite subsection 1.2.7—12(1), a claim to the effect that chewing gum is a good source of calcium or \*releasable calcium must not be made.

***Note*** Subsection 1.2.7—12(1) and the table to section S4—3 regulate when nutrition content claims may be made, including nutrition content claims about a food being a good source of vitamins or minerals.

(2) A claim about the presence of \*releasable calcium in chewing gum may be made only if:

(a) the chewing gum contains no more than 0.2% residual sugars; and

(b) the chewing gum contains no less than 80 mg (10% RDI) of releasable calcium per serve; and

(c) the amount claimed is no more than 200 mg (25% RDI) of releasable calcium per serve; and

(d) the \*supplier who makes the claim or includes it on a label or in an advertisement:

(i) has records that substantiate the matters listed in paragraphs (b) and (c); and

(ii) makes the records available to the \*relevant authority upon request.

2.10.3—5 Labelling requirements

(1) If a claim is made in accordance with section 2.10.3—4, the nutrition information panel must include:

(a) for chewing gum in a small package:

(i) the \*average quantity of \*releasable calcium per serve; and

(ii) the serving size; and

(b) for chewing gum other than in a small package—the average quantity of releasable calcium per serve and per 100 g; and

(c) in any case:

(i) the proportion of the \*RDI (for calcium) of releasable calcium per serve; and

(ii) a statement to the effect that the average quantity of calcium is released during 20 minutes of chewing.

(2) For chewing gum in a small package:

(a) the information need not be set out in a nutrition information panel; and

(b) to avoid doubt, paragraph 1.2.8—14(1)(b) does not apply in relation to a claim made in accordance with section 2.10.3—4.

(3) For chewing gum other than in a small package, the nutrition information panel may be set out in the form specified in section S12—7.

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