



New Zealand (Permitted Fortification of Bread with Folic Acid) Food Standard
2012

Pursuant to sections 11C and 11L of the Food Act 1981, I, Kate Wilkinson,
issue the following notice for the purpose of permitting the voluntary fortification
of bread with folic acid.

Signed at Wellington this 27th day of August 2012

(Signed)

Hon Kate Wilkinson
Minister for Food Safety

Certified in order for signature

(Signed)

Solicitor
Legal Services

24 / 8 / 2012
Published by the Ministry for Primary Industries
PO Box 2526, Wellington

Contents

- 1 Title
- 2 Commencement
- 3 Standard Revoked
- 4 Application and Purpose
- 5 Meaning of Bread
- 6 Folic Acid may be Added to Bread

Standard

1 Title

This standard is the New Zealand (Permitted Fortification of Bread with Folic Acid) Food Standard 2012.

2 Commencement

This notice comes into force on 28 September 2012.

3 Standard Revoked

This notice revokes the New Zealand (Mandatory Fortification of Bread with Folic Acid) Food Standard 2007.

Part 1 Preliminary Provisions

4 Application and Purpose

- (1) This standard provides permission for folic acid to be added to bread.
- (2) This standard does not apply to bread sold or prepared for sale in, or imported into Australia.
- (3) This standard does not remove or affect any additional obligations or restrictions relating to the manufacture and sale of bread specified in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code that are applicable in New Zealand.

5 Meaning of Bread

Bread has the meaning given to it in Standard 2.1.1 (Cereals and Cereal Products) in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code.

Part 2 Permitted Addition of Folic Acid to Bread

6 Folic Acid may be added to Bread

- (1) Folic acid and (L-methyltetrahydrofolate, calcium) may be added to bread.

- (2) Bread must not contain more than 2.5 mg/kg of folic acid, or of (L-methyltetrahydrofolate, calcium), or of the total of folic acid and (L-methyltetrahydrofolate, calcium), if used together.

Issued under sections 11C and 11L of the Food Act 1981.

Date of notification in Gazette: []

This Notice is administered by the Ministry for Primary Industries.

Explanatory Note

This note is not part of the Notice and is intended to provide information only.

Standard 1.3.2 of the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code continues to permit the voluntary addition of folic acid to both cereal flours and non-wheat flour bread. These permissions will be retained to enable manufacturers to fortify specialised non wheat flour breads, such as gluten free bread.

Food Standards subject to Regulations (Disallowance) Act 1989

Food standards, including this standard, are subject to the Regulations (Disallowance) Act 1989. Any person has the right to make a complaint about a food standard to the Regulations Review Committee.

Availability of food law

An outline of New Zealand food law, including copies of New Zealand Food Standards can be viewed on the Ministry for Primary Industries web site: <http://www.foodsafety.govt.nz> or can be obtained from the Ministry for Primary Industries, PO Box 2526, Wellington.

Copies of all New Zealand food law, including food standards, can be viewed free of charge at Pastoral House, 25 The Terrace, Wellington, or purchased from:

- Bennetts, Massey University Albany Campus, New Teaching Block, Gate 1, Albany, Auckland, Ph: (09) 443 9707, Fax: (09) 443 9708, Email: aku@bennetts.co.nz
- Bennetts, Auckland University of Technology Akoranga Campus, Gate 1 Akoranga Drive, Northcote, Ph: (09) 9845432, Fax: (09) 985 7522, Email: aau@bennetts.co.nz
- Bennetts, Auckland University of Technology, Student Plaza Gate 2, Wellesley Street, Auckland City, Ph: (09) 921 9801, Fax: (09) 921 9986, Email: wau@bennetts.co.nz
- Bennetts, Manukau Institute of Technology, Gate 11, NP Block, Otara Road, Manukau, Ph: (09) 274 8627, Fax: (09) 274 8830, Email: mkp@bennetts.co.nz
- Bennetts, The University of Waikato, Gate 5, Hillcrest Road, Hamilton, Ph: (07) 856 6813, Fax: (07) 856 2255, Email: wku@bennetts.co.nz
- Bennetts, Waikato Institute of Technology, Gate 5, Tristram Street, Hamilton, Ph: (07) 839 0003, Fax: (07) 834 1291, Email: wkp@bennetts.co.nz
- Bennetts, Massey University - Turitea Campus, Student Centre, Palmerston North, Ph: (06) 354 6020, Fax: (06) 354 6716, Email: massey@bennetts.co.nz
- Bennetts, Massey University Wellington, Gate E Tasman Street, Wellington, Ph: (04) 384 1407, Fax: (04) 384 5827, Email: wqp@bennetts.co.nz
- Bennetts, Corner Lambton Quay & Bowen Street, Wellington, Ph: (04) 499 3433, Fax: (04) 499 3375, Email: gbs@bennetts.co.nz
- Bennetts, Whitcoulls, Bush Inn Shopping Centre, Riccarton Road, Christchurch, Ph: (03) 343 0304, Fax: (03) 343 0316, Email: bun@whitcoulls.co.nz
- Bennetts, Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology, Madras Street, Christchurch, Ph: (03) 365 1394, Fax: (03) 365 7314, Email: chp@bennetts.co.nz

The Food Standards Code can be viewed on the Food Standards Australia New Zealand website at <http://www.foodstandards.gov.au/> or can be viewed free of charge at the Ministry for Primary Industries, Pastoral House 25 The Terrace, Wellington. Copies of the Code, or Amendments to the Code, can be purchased by subscription from: ANSTAT, PO Box 447, South Melbourne, VIC 3205, Australia, <http://www.anstat.com.au>, e-mail foodcode@anstat.com.au, or Phone +61 3 9278 1144.