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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

**COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2002/82/EC**  
**of 15 October 2002**

**amending Directive 96/77/EC laying down specific purity criteria on food additives other than colours and sweeteners**

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 89/107/EEC of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning food additives authorised for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption <sup>(1)</sup>, as amended by Directive 94/34/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council <sup>(2)</sup> and in particular Article 3(3)(a) thereof,

After consulting the Scientific Committee on Food,

Whereas:

- (1) Directive 95/2/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 February 1995 on food additives other than colours and sweeteners <sup>(3)</sup>, as last amended by Directive 2001/5/EC <sup>(4)</sup>, lists those substances which may be used as additives other than colours and sweeteners in foodstuffs.
- (2) Commission Directive 96/77/EC <sup>(5)</sup>, as last amended by Directive 2001/30/EC <sup>(6)</sup> sets out the purity criteria for the additives other than colours and sweeteners mentioned in Directive 95/2/EC.
- (3) It is necessary to adapt to technical progress existing purity criteria set out in Directive 96/77/EC and to establish new purity criteria for those food additives for which these were failing.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 40, 11.2.1989, p. 27.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 237, 10.9.1994, p. 1.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 61, 18.3.1995, p. 1.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 55, 24.2.2001, p. 59.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ L 339, 30.12.1996, p. 1.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ L 146, 31.5.2001, p. 1.

(4) It is necessary to take into account the specifications and analytical techniques for additives as set out in the *Codex Alimentarius* as drafted by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA).

(5) Directive 96/77/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) The measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

*Article 1*

The Annex to Directive 96/77/EC is amended as set out in the Annex to this Directive.

*Article 2*

Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 31 August 2003 at the latest. They shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

When Member States adopt these provisions, these shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such reference at the occasion of their official publication. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made.

*Article 3*

This Directive shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

*Article 4*

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 15 October 2002.

*For the Commission*  
David BYRNE  
*Member of the Commission*

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## ANNEX

The Annex to Directive 96/77/EC is amended as follows:

- (1) The text concerning E 338 Phosphoric acid, E 339 (i) Monosodium Phosphate, E 339 (ii) Disodium Phosphate, E 339 (iii) Trisodium Phosphate, E 340 (i) Monopotassium Phosphate, E 340 (ii) Dipotassium Phosphate, E 340 (iii) Tripotassium Phosphate, E 341 (i) Monocalcium Phosphate, E 341 (ii) Dicalcium Phosphate, E 341 (iii) Tricalcium Phosphate, E 450 (i) Disodium Diphosphate, E 450 (ii) Trisodium Diphosphate, E 450 (iii) Tetrasodium Diphosphate, E 450 (v) Tetrapotassium Diphosphate, E 450 (vi) Dicalcium Diphosphate, E 450 (vii) Calcium Dihydrogen Diphosphate, E 451 (i) Pentasodium Triphosphate and E 451 (ii) Pentapotassium Triphosphate, E 452 (i) Sodium Polyphosphate, E 452 (ii) Potassium Polyphosphate and E 452 (iv) Calcium Polyphosphate is replaced by the following:

**E 338 PHOSPHORIC ACID****Synonyms**

Orthophosphoric acid  
Monophosphoric acid

**Definition**

*Chemical name*

Phosphoric acid

*EINECS*

231-633-2

*Chemical formula*

H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>

*Molecular weight*

98,00

*Assay*

Phosphoric acid is commercially available as an aqueous solution at variable concentrations. Content not less than 67,0 % and not more than 85,7 %.

*Description*

Clear, colourless, viscous liquid

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for acid and for phosphate

**Purity**

Volatile acids

Not more than 10 mg/kg (as acetic acid)

Chlorides

Not more than 200 mg/kg (expressed as chlorine)

Nitrates

Not more than 5 mg/kg (as NaNO<sub>3</sub>)

Sulphates

Not more than 1 500 mg/kg (as CaSO<sub>4</sub>)

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluoride)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Note:

This specification refers to a 75 % aqueous solution.

**E 339 (i) MONOSODIUM PHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Monosodium monophosphate  
 Acid monosodium monophosphate  
 Monosodium orthophosphate  
 Monobasic sodium phosphate  
 Sodium dihydrogen monophosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Sodium dihydrogen monophosphate

*EINECS*

231-449-2

*Chemical formula*Anhydrous:  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$ Monohydrate:  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ Dihydrate:  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ *Molecular weight*

Anhydrous: 119,98

Monohydrate: 138,00

Dihydrate: 156,01

*Assay*After drying at 60 °C for one hour and then at 105 °C for four hours, contains not less than 97 % of  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$ *P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Between 58,0 % and 60,0 % on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

A white odourless, slightly deliquescent powder, crystals or granules

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol or ether

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 4,1 and 5,0

**Purity**

Loss on drying

The anhydrous salt loses not more than 2,0 %, the monohydrate not more than 15,0 %, and the dihydrate not more than 25 % when dried first at 60 °C for one hour, then at 105 °C for four hours

Water-insoluble substances

Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 339 (ii) DISODIUM PHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Disodium monophosphate  
 Secondary sodium phosphate  
 Disodium orthophosphate  
 Acid disodium phosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Disodium hydrogen monophosphate  
 Disodium hydrogen orthophosphate

*EINECS*

231-448-7

*Chemical formula*

Anhydrous:  $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$   
 Hydrat:  $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $n = 2, 7$  or  $12$ )

*Molecular weight*

141,98 (anhydrous)

*Assay*

After drying at 40 °C for three hours and subsequently at 105 °C for five hours, contains not less than 98 % of  $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Between 49 % and 51 % on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

Anhydrous disodium hydrogen phosphate is a white, hygroscopic, odourless powder. Hydrated forms available include the dihydrate: a white crystalline, odourless solid; the heptahydrate: white, odourless, efflorescent crystals or granular powder; and the dodecahydrate: white, efflorescent, odourless powder or crystals

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 8,4 and 9,6

**Purity**

Loss on drying

When dried at 40 °C for three hours and then at 105°C for five hours, the losses in weight are as follows: anhydrous not more than 5,0 %, dihydrate not more than 22,0 %, heptahydrate not more than 50,0 %, dodecahydrate not more than 61,0 %

Water-insoluble substances

Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 339 (iii) TRISODIUM PHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Sodium phosphate  
 Tribasic sodium phosphate  
 Trisodium orthophosphate

**Definition**

Trisodium phosphate is obtained from aqueous solutions and crystallises in the anhydrous form and with 1/2, 1, 6, 8 or 12 H<sub>2</sub>O. The dodecahydrate always crystallises from aqueous solutions with an excess of sodium hydroxide. It contains ¼ molecule of NaOH

*Chemical name*

Trisodium monophosphate  
 Trisodium phosphate  
 Trisodium orthophosphate

*EINECS*

231-509-8

*Chemical formula*

Anhydrous: Na<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>  
 Hydrated: Na<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> · nH<sub>2</sub>O (n = 1/2, 1, 6, 8, or 12)

*Molecular weight*

163,94 (anhydrous)

*Assay*

Sodium phosphate anhydrous and the hydrated forms, with the exception of the dodecahydrate, contain not less than 97,0 % of Na<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> calculated on the dried basis. Sodium phosphate dodecahydrate contains not less than 92,0 % of Na<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> calculated on the ignited basis

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Between 40,5 % and 43,5 % on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

White odourless crystals, granules or crystalline powder

**Identification**

- A. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate
- B. Solubility
- C. pH of a 1 % solution

Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol  
 Between 11,5 and 12,5

**Purity***Loss on ignition*

When dried at 120 °C for two hours and then ignited at about 800 °C for 30 minutes, the losses in weight are as follows: anhydrous not more than 2,0 %, monohydrate not more than 11,0 %, dodecahydrate: between 45,0 % and 58,0 %

*Water insoluble substances*

Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

*Fluoride*

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

*Arsenic*

Not more than 3 mg/kg

*Cadmium*

Not more than 1 mg/kg

*Lead*

Not more than 4 mg/kg

*Mercury*

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 340 (i) MONOPOTASSIUM PHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Monobasic potassium phosphate  
Monopotassium monophosphate  
Potassium orthophosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Potassium dihydrogen phosphate  
Monopotassium dihydrogen orthophosphate  
Monopotassium dihydrogen monophosphate

*EINECS*

231-913-4

*Chemical formula* $\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$ *Molecular weight*

136,09

*Assay*

Content not less than 98,0 % after drying at 105 °C for four hours

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Between 51,0 % and 53,0 % on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

Odourless, colourless crystals or white granular or crystalline powder, hygroscopic

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for potassium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 4,2 and 4,8

**Purity**

Loss on drying

Not more than 2,0 % determined by drying at 105 °C for four hours

Water-insoluble substances

Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 340 (ii) DIPOTASSIUM PHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Dipotassium monophosphate  
 Secondary potassium phosphate  
 Dipotassium acid phosphate  
 Dipotassium orthophosphate  
 Dibasic potassium phosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Dipotassium hydrogen monophosphate  
 Dipotassium hydrogen phosphate  
 Dipotassium hydrogen orthophosphate

*EINECS*

231-834-5

*Chemical formula* $K_2HPO_4$ *Molecular weight*

174,18

*Assay*

Content not less than 98 % after drying at 105°C for four hours

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Between 40,3 % and 41,5 % on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

Colourless or white granular powder, crystals or masses; deliquescent substance

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for potassium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 8,7 and 9,4

**Purity**

Loss on drying

Not more than 2,0 % determined by drying at 105 °C for four hours

Water-insoluble substances

Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg



**E 340 (iii) TRIPOTASSIUM PHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Potassium phosphate  
 Tribasic potassium phosphate  
 Tripotassium orthophosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Tripotassium monophosphate  
 Tripotassium phosphate  
 Tripotassium orthophosphate

*EINECS*

231-907-1

*Chemical formula*

Anhydrous:  $K_3PO_4$   
 Hydrated:  $K_3PO_4 \cdot nH_2O$  (n = 1 or 3)

*Molecular weight*

212,27 (anhydrous)

*Assay*

Content not less than 97 % calculated on the ignited basis

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Between 30,5 % and 33,0 % on the ignited basis

*Description*

Colourless or white, odourless hygroscopic crystals or granules.  
 Hydrated forms available include the monohydrate and trihydrate

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for potassium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 11,5 and 12,3

**Purity**

Loss on ignition

Anhydrous: not more than 3,0 %; hydrated: not more than 23,0 %.  
 Determined by drying at 105 °C for one hour and then ignite at about  
 800 °C ± 25 °C for 30 minutes

Water insoluble substances

Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 341 (i) MONOCALCIUM PHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Monobasic calcium phosphate  
Monocalcium orthophosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Calcium dihydrogen phosphate

*EINECS*

231-837-1

*Chemical formula*Anhydrous:  $\text{Ca}(\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4)_2$ Monohydrate:  $\text{Ca}(\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ *Molecular weight*

234,05 (anhydrous)

252,08 (monohydrate)

*Assay*

Content not less than 95 % on the dried basis

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Between 55,5 % and 61,1 % on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

Granular powder or white, deliquescent crystals or granules

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for calcium and for phosphate

B. CaO content

Between 23,0 % and 27,5 % (anhydrous)

Between 19,0 % and 24,8 % (monohydrate)

**Purity**

Loss on drying

Not more than 14 % determined by drying at 105 °C for four hours (anhydrous)

Not more than 17,5 % determined by drying at 60 °C for one hour, then at 105 °C for four hours (monohydrate)

Loss on ignition

Not more than 17,5 % after ignition at 800 °C ± 25 °C for 30 minutes (anhydrous)

Not more than 25,0 % determined by drying at 105 °C for one hour, then ignite at 800 °C ± 25 °C for 30 minutes (monohydrate)

Fluoride

Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 341 (ii) DICALCIUM PHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Dibasic calcium phosphate  
Dicalcium orthophosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Calcium monohydrogen phosphate  
Calcium hydrogen orthophosphate  
Secondary calcium phosphate

*EINECS*

231-826-1

*Chemical formula*

Anhydrous:  $\text{CaHPO}_4$   
Dihydrate:  $\text{CaHPO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

*Molecular weight*

136,06 (anhydrous)  
172,09 (dihydrate)

*Assay*

Dicalcium phosphate, after drying at 200 °C for three hours, contains not less than 98 % and not more than the equivalent of 102 % of  $\text{CaHPO}_4$

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Between 50,0 % and 52,5 % on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

White crystals or granules, granular powder or powder

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for calcium and for phosphate

B. Solubility tests

Sparingly soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

**Purity**

Loss on ignition

Not more than 8,5 % (anhydrous), or 26,5 % (dihydrate) after ignition at 800 °C ± 25 °C for 30 minutes

Fluoride

Not more than 50 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 341 (iii) TRICALCIUM PHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Calcium phosphate, tribasic  
 Calcium orthophosphate  
 Pentacalcium hydroxy monophosphate  
 Calcium hydroxyapatite

**Definition**

Tricalcium phosphate consists of a variable mixture of calcium phosphates obtained from neutralisation of phosphoric acid with calcium hydroxide and having the approximate composition of  $10\text{CaO} \cdot 3\text{P}_2\text{O}_5 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$

*Chemical name*

Pentacalcium hydroxy monophosphate  
 Tricalcium monophosphate

*EINECS*

235-330-6 (*Pentacalcium hydroxy monophosphate*)  
 231-840-8 (*Calcium orthophosphate*)

*Chemical formula*

$\text{Ca}_5(\text{PO}_4)_3 \cdot \text{OH}$  or  $\text{Ca}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$

*Molecular weight*

502 or 310

*Assay*

Content not less than 90 % calculated on the ignited basis

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Between 38,5 % and 48,0 % on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

A white, odourless powder which is stable in air

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for calcium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Practically insoluble in water; insoluble in ethanol, soluble in dilute hydrochloric and nitric acid

**Purity**

Loss on ignition

Not more than 8 % after ignition at  $800\text{ }^\circ\text{C} \pm 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , to constant weight

Fluoride

Not more than 50 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 450 (i) DISODIUM DIPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Disodium dihydrogen diphosphate  
 Disodium dihydrogen pyrophosphate  
 Sodium acid pyrophosphate  
 Disodium pyrophosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Disodium dihydrogen diphosphate

*EINECS*

231-835-0

*Chemical formula* $\text{Na}_2\text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7$ *Molecular weight*

221,94

*Assay*

Content not less than 95 % of disodium diphosphate.

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> Content*

Not less than 63,0 % and not more than 64,5 %

*Description*

White powder or grains

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Soluble in water

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 3,7 and 5,0

**Purity**

Loss on drying

Not more than 0,5 % (105 °C, four hours)

Water-insoluble matter

Not more than 1 %

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 450 (ii) TRISODIUM DIPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Acid trisodium pyrophosphate  
Trisodium monohydrogen diphosphate

**Definition***EINECS*

238-735-6

*Chemical formula*Monohydrate:  $\text{Na}_3\text{HP}_2\text{O}_7 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ Anhydrous:  $\text{Na}_3\text{HP}_2\text{O}_7$ *Molecular weight*

Monohydrate: 261,95

Anhydrous: 243,93

*Assay*

Content not less than 95 % on the anhydrous basis

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 57 % and not more than 59 %

*Description*

White powder or grains, occurs anhydrous or as a monohydrate

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

B. Soluble in water

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 6,7 and 7,5

**Purity**

Loss on ignition

Not more than 4,5 % on the anhydrous compound

Not more than 11,5 % on the monohydrous basis

Loss on drying

Not more than 0,5 % (105 °C, four hours)

Water-insoluble matter

Not more than 0,2 %

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 450 (iii) TETRASODIUM DIPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Tetrasodium pyrophosphate  
Sodium pyrophosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Tetrasodium diphosphate

*EINECS*

231-767-1

*Chemical formula*

Anhydrous:  $\text{Na}_4\text{P}_2\text{O}_7$   
Decahydrate:  $\text{Na}_4\text{P}_2\text{O}_7 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$

*Molecular weight*

Anhydrous: 265,94  
Decahydrate: 446,09

*Assay*Content not less than 95 % of  $\text{Na}_4\text{P}_2\text{O}_7$  on the ignited basis*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 52,5 % and not more than 54,0 %

*Description*

Colourless or white crystals, or a white crystalline or granular powder.  
The decahydrate effloresces slightly in dry air

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 9,8 and 10,8

**Purity**

Loss on ignition

Not more than 0,5 % for the anhydrous salt, not less than 38 % and not more than 42 % for the decahydrate, in both cases determined after drying at 105 °C for four hours, followed by ignition at 550 °C for 30 minutes

Water-insoluble matter

Not more than 0,2 %

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 450 (v) TETRAPOTASSIUM DIPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Potassium pyrophosphate  
Tetrapotassium pyrophosphate

**Definition**

*Chemical name*

Tetrapotassium diphosphate

*EINECS*

230-785-7

*Chemical formula*

$K_4P_2O_7$

*Molecular weight*

330,34 (anhydrous)

*Assay*

Content not less than 95 % on the ignited basis

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 42,0 % and not more than 43,7 % on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

Colourless crystals or white, very hygroscopic powder

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for potassium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 10,0 and 10,8

**Purity**

Loss on ignition

Not more than 2 % after drying at 105 °C for four hours and then ignition at 550 °C for 30 minutes

Water-insoluble substances

Not more than 0,2 %

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg



**E 450 (vi) DICALCIUM DIPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Calcium pyrophosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Dicalcium diphosphate

Dicalcium pyrophosphate

*EINECS*

232-221-5

*Chemical formula* $\text{Ca}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7$ *Molecular weight*

254,12

*Assay*

Content not less than 96 %

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 55 % and not more than 56 %

*Description*

A fine, white, odourless powder

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for calcium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Insoluble in water. Soluble in dilute hydrochloric and nitric acids

C. pH of a 10 % suspension in water

Between 5,5 and 7,0

**Purity**

Loss on ignition

Not more than 1,5 % at 800 °C ± 25 °C for 30 minutes

Fluoride

Not more than 50 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 450 (vii) CALCIUM DIHYDROGEN DIPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Acid calcium pyrophosphate  
Monocalcium dihydrogen pyrophosphate

**Definition**

*Chemical name*

Calcium dihydrogen diphosphate

*EINECS*

238-933-2

*Chemical formula*

$\text{CaH}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7$

*Molecular weight*

215,97

*Assay*

Content not less than 90 % on the anhydrous basis

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 61 % and not more than 64 %

*Description*

White crystals or powder

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for calcium and for phosphate

**Purity**

Acid-insoluble matter

Not more than 0,4 %

Fluoride

Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 451 (i) PENTASODIUM TRIPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Pentasodium tripolyphosphate  
Sodium tripolyphosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Pentasodium triphosphate

*EINECS*

231-838-7

*Chemical formula* $\text{Na}_5\text{O}_{10}\text{P}_3 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (n = 0 or 6)*Molecular weight*

367,86

*Assay*

Content not less than 85,0 % (anhydrous) or 65,0 % (hexahydrate)

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 56 % and not more than 59 % (anhydrous) or not less than 43 % and not more than 45 % (hexahydrate)

*Description*

White, slightly hygroscopic granules or powder

**Identification**

## A. Solubility

Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

## B. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

## C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 9,1 and 10,2

**Purity**

## Loss on drying

Anhydrous: Not more than 0,7 % (105 °C, one hour)  
Hexahydrate: Not more than 23,5 % (60 °C, one hour, followed by drying at 105 °C, four hours)

## Water-insoluble substances

Not more than 0,1 %

## Higher polyphosphates

Not more than 1 %

## Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

## Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

## Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

## Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

## Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 451 (ii) PENTAPOTASSIUM TRIPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Pentapotassium tripolyphosphate  
 Potassium triphosphate  
 Potassium tripolyphosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Pentapotassium triphosphate  
 Pentapotassium tripolyphosphate

*EINECS*

237-574-9

*Chemical formula*

$K_5O_{10}P_3$

*Molecular weight*

448,42

*Assay*

Content not less than 85 % on the anhydrous basis

*P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 46,5 % and not more than 48 %

*Description*

White, very hygroscopic powder or granules

**Identification**

## A. Solubility

Very soluble in water

## B. Positive tests for potassium and for phosphate

## C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 9,2 and 10,5

**Purity**

## Loss on ignition

Not more than 0,4 % (after drying at 105 °C, four hours, followed by ignition at 550 °C, 30 minutes)

## Water-insoluble matter

Not more than 2 %

## Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

## Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

## Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

## Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

## Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 452 (i) SODIUM POLYPHOSPHATE**

## 1. SOLUBLE POLYPHOSPHATE

**Synonyms**

Sodium hexametaphosphate  
Sodium tetrapolyphosphate  
Graham's salt  
Sodium polyphosphates, glassy  
Sodium polymetaphosphate  
Sodium metaphosphate

**Definition**

Soluble sodium polyphosphates are obtained by fusion and subsequent chilling of sodium orthophosphates. These compounds are a class consisting of several amorphous, water-soluble polyphosphates composed of linear chains of metaphosphate units,  $(\text{NaPO}_3)_x$  where  $x \geq 2$ , terminated by  $\text{Na}_2\text{PO}_4$  groups. These substances are usually identified by their  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}/\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$  ratio or their  $\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$  content. The  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}/\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$  ratios vary from about 1,3 for sodium tetrapolyphosphate, where  $x =$  approximately 4; to about 1,1 for Graham's salt, commonly called sodium hexametaphosphate, where  $x = 13$  to 18; and to about 1,0 for the higher molecular weight sodium polyphosphates, where  $x = 20$  to 100 or more. The pH of their solutions varies from 3,0 to 9,0

*Chemical name*

Sodium polyphosphate

*EINECS*

272-808-3

*Chemical formula*

Heterogenous mixtures of sodium salts of linear condensed polyphosphoric acids of general formula  $\text{H}_{(n+2)}\text{P}_n\text{O}_{(3n+1)}$  where 'n' is not less than 2

*Molecular weight* $(102)_n$ *Assay  $\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$  content*

Not less than 60 % and not more than 71 % on the ignited basis

*Description*

Colourless or white, transparent platelets, granules, or powders

**Identification**

## A. Solubility

Very soluble in water

## B. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

## C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 3,0 and 9,0

**Purity**

## Loss on ignition

Not more than 1 %

## Water-insoluble matter

Not more than 0,1 %

## Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

## Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

## Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

## Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

## Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

## 2. INSOLUBLE POLYPHOSPHATE

**Synonyms**

Insoluble sodium metaphosphate  
Maddrell's salt  
Insoluble sodium polyphosphate, IMP

**Definition**

Insoluble sodium metaphosphate is a high molecular weight sodium polyphosphate composed of two long metaphosphate chains  $(\text{NaPO}_3)_x$  that spiral in opposite directions about a common axis. The  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}/\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$  ratio is about 1,0. The pH of 1 in 3 suspension in water is about 6,5

*Chemical name*

Sodium polyphosphate

*EINECS*

272-808-3

*Chemical formula*

Heterogenous mixtures of sodium salts of linear condensed polyphosphoric acids of general formula  $\text{H}_{(n+2)}\text{P}_n\text{O}_{(3n+1)}$  where 'n' is not less than 2

*Molecular weight* $(102)_n$ *P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 68,7 % and not more than 70,0 %

*Description*

White crystalline powder

**Identification**

A. Solubility

Insoluble in water, soluble in mineral acids and in solutions of potassium and ammonium (but not sodium) chlorides

B. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

C. pH of 1 in 3 suspension in water

About 6,5

**Purity**

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 452 (ii) POTASSIUM POLYPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Potassium metaphosphate  
 Potassium polymetaphosphate  
 Kurrol salt

**Definition***Chemical name*

Potassium polyphosphate

*EINECS*

232-212-6

*Chemical formula* $(\text{KPO}_3)_n$ 

Heterogenous mixtures of potassium salts of linear condensed polyphosphoric acids of general formula  $\text{H}_{(n+2)}\text{P}_n\text{O}_{(3n+1)}$  where 'n' is not less than 2

*Molecular weight* $(118)_n$ *P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 53,5 % and not more than 61,5 % on the ignited basis

*Description*

Fine white powder or crystals or colourless glassy platelets

**Identification**

A. Solubility

1 g dissolves in 100 ml of a 1 in 25 solution of sodium acetate

B. Positive tests for potassium and for phosphate

C. pH of a 1 % suspension

Not more than 7,8

**Purity**

Loss on ignition

Not more than 2 % (105 °C, four hours followed by ignition at 550 °C, 30 minutes)

Cyclic phosphate

Not more than 8 % on P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**E 452 (iv) CALCIUM POLYPHOSPHATE****Synonyms**

Calcium metaphosphate  
Calcium polymetaphosphate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Calcium polyphosphate

*EINECS*

236-769-6

*Chemical formula* $(\text{CaP}_2\text{O}_6)_n$ 

Heterogenous mixtures of calcium salts of condensed polyphosphoric acids of general formula  $\text{H}_{(n+2)}\text{P}_n\text{O}_{(n+1)}$  where 'n' is not less than 2

*Molecular weight* $(198)_n$ *P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content*

Not less than 71 % and not more than 73 % on the ignited basis

*Description*

Odourless, colourless crystals or white powder

**Identification**

A. Solubility

Usually sparingly soluble in water. Soluble in acid medium

B. Positive tests for calcium and for phosphate

C. CaO content

27 to 29,5 %

**Purity**

Loss on ignition

Not more than 2 % (105 °C, four hours followed by ignition at 550 °C, 30 minutes)

Cyclic phosphate

Not more than 8 % on P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content

Fluoride

Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 4 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg'



- (2) The following text relating to E 650 Zinc acetate, E 943a Butane, E 943b Isobutane, E 944 Propane, E 949 Hydrogen, E 1201 Polyvinylpyrrolidone and E 1202 Polyvinylpyrrolidone is added:

**E 650 ZINC ACETATE****Synonyms**

Acetic acid, zinc salt, dihydrate

**Definition***Chemical name*

Zinc acetate dihydrate

*Chemical formula* $C_4H_6O_4 Zn \cdot 2H_2O$ *Molecular weight*

219,51

*Assay*Content not less than 98 % and not more than 102 % of  $C_4H_6O_4 Zn \cdot 2H_2O$ *Description*

Colourless crystals or fine, off-white powder

**Identification**

A. Positive tests for acetate and for zinc

B. pH of a 5 % solution

Between 6,0 and 8,0

**Purity**

Insoluble matter

Not more than 0,005 %

Chlorides

Not more than 50 mg/kg

Sulphates

Not more than 100 mg/kg

Alkalines and alkaline earths

Not more than 0,2 %

Organic volatile impurities

Passes test

Iron

Not more than 50 mg/kg

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 20 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 5 mg/kg

**E 943a BUTANE****Synonyms**

n-Butane

**Definition***Chemical name*

Butane

*Chemical formula* $CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_3$ *Molecular weight*

58,12

*Assay*

Content not less than 96 %

*Description*

Colourless gas or liquid with mild, characteristic odour

**Identification**

A. Vapour pressure

108,935 kPa at 20 °C

**Purity**

Methane

Not more than 0,15 % v/v

Ethane

Not more than 0,5 % v/v

Propane

Not more than 1,5 % v/v

Isobutane	Not more than 3,0 % v/v
1,3-butadiene	Not more than 0,1 % v/v
Moisture	Not more than 0,005 %
<b>E 943b ISOBUTANE</b>	
<b>Synonyms</b>	2-methyl propane
<b>Definition</b>	
<i>Chemical name</i>	2-methyl propane
<i>Chemical formula</i>	$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CH CH}_3$
<i>Molecular weight</i>	58,12
<i>Assay</i>	Content not less than 94 %
<i>Description</i>	Colourless gas or liquid with mild, characteristic odour
<b>Identification</b>	
A. Vapour pressure	205,465 kPa at 20 °C
<b>Purity</b>	
Methane	Not more than 0,15 % v/v
Ethane	Not more than 0,5 % v/v
Propane	Not more than 2,0 % v/v
n-Butane	Not more than 4,0 % v/v
1,3-butadiene	Not more than 0,1 % v/v
Moisture	Not more than 0,005 %
<b>E 944 PROPANE</b>	
<b>Definition</b>	
<i>Chemical name</i>	Propane
<i>Chemical formula</i>	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$
<i>Molecular weight</i>	44,09
<i>Assay</i>	Content not less than 95 %
<i>Description</i>	Colourless gas or liquid with mild, characteristic odour
<b>Identification</b>	
A. Vapour pressure	732,910 kPa at 20 °C
<b>Purity</b>	
Methane	Not more than 0,15 % v/v
Ethane	Not more than 1,5 % v/v
Isobutane	Not more than 2,0 % v/v
n-Butane	Not more than 1,0 % v/v
1,3-butadiene	Not more than 0,1 % v/v
Moisture	Not more than 0,005 %

**E 949 HYDROGEN****Definition**

<i>Chemical name</i>	Hydrogen
<i>EINECS</i>	215-605-7
<i>Chemical formula</i>	H <sub>2</sub>
<i>Molecular weight</i>	2
<i>Assay</i>	Content not less than 99,9 %
<i>Description</i>	Colourless, odourless, highly flammable gas

**Purity**

Water	Not more than 0,005 % v/v
Oxygen	Not more than 0,001 % v/v
Nitrogen	Not more than 0,75 % v/v

**E 1201 POLYVINYLPIRROLIDONE****Synonyms**

Povidone  
PVP  
Soluble polyvinylpyrrolidone

**Definition**

<i>Chemical name</i>	Polyvinylpyrrolidone, poly-[1-(2-oxo-1-pyrrolidiny)-ethylene]
<i>Chemical formula</i>	(C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>9</sub> NO) <sub>n</sub>
<i>Molecular weight</i>	Not less than 25 000
<i>Assay</i>	Content not less than 11,5 % and not more than 12,8 % of nitrogen (N) on the anhydrous basis
<i>Description</i>	White or nearly white powder

**Identification**

A. Solubility	Soluble in water and in ethanol. Insoluble in ether
B. pH of a 5 % solution	Between 3,0 and 7,0

**Purity**

Water	Not more than 5 % (Karl Fischer)
Total ash	Not more than 0,1 %
Aldehyde	Not more than 500 mg/kg (as acetaldehyde)
Free-N-vinylpyrrolidone	Not more than 10 mg/kg
Hydrazine	Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead	Not more than 5 mg/kg

**E 1202 POLYVINYLPIRROLIDONE****Synonyms**

Crospovidone  
Cross linked polyvidone  
Insoluble polyvinylpyrrolidone

**Definition**

Polyvinylpyrrolidone is a poly-[1-(2-oxo-1-pyrrolidinyl)-ethylene], cross linked in a random fashion. It is produced by the polymerisation of N-vinyl-2-pyrrolidone in the presence of either caustic catalyst or N, N'-divinyl-imidazolidone. Due to its insolubility in all common solvents the molecular weight range is not amenable to analytical determination

*Chemical name*

Polyvinylpyrrolidone, poly-[1-(2-oxo-1-pyrrolidinyl)-ethylene]

*Chemical formula*

$(C_6H_9NO)_n$

*Assay*

Content not less than 11 % and not more than 12,8 % nitrogen (N) on the anhydrous basis

*Description*

A white hygroscopic powder with a faint, non-objectionable odour

**Identification**

A. Solubility

Insoluble in water, ethanol and ether

B. pH of a 1 % suspension in water

Between 5,0 and 8,0

**Purity**

Water

Not more than 6 % (Karl Fischer)

Sulphated ash

Not more than 0,4 %

Water-soluble matter

Not more than 1 %

Free-N-vinylpyrrolidone

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Free-N,N'-divinyl-imidazolidone

Not more than 2 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 5 mg/kg'.

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