

NEWSLETTER

FSSAI ORDERS, ADVISORIES, NOTIFICATIONS & DIRECTIONS

OCTOBER ISSUE

FSSAI releases order to waive off the registration fees for Hawkers

FSSAI has waived registration fees for hawkers, granting a five-year registration certificate with no option to select the number of years. The order dated 30th September, 2024 applies to both new registrations and renewals, effective from September 28, 2024. In FoSCoS, hawkers are listed under Food Services > Hawker (Itinerant/Mobile food vendor).

(01 OCTOBER 2024)

FSSAI released notice seeking comments for Ayurveda Aahara

A compendium of Ayurveda Aahara recipes from 71 authoritative texts, mentioned in the FSS (Ayurveda Aahara) Regulation, 2022, has been prepared to assist Food Business Operators in manufacturing Ayurveda Aahara. Stakeholders' comments and suggestions are invited before finalizing the compendium.

(01 OCTOBER 2024)

Draft Notification of FSS (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Amendment Regulation, 2024

FSSAI has released the copy of the draft of certain regulation to amend the FSS (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Regulation, 2011 relating to the milk fat composition, fermented milk, addition of haleem, garam masala, dried peppermint, indigotine and processing aids. This draft shall be taken into consideration after a period of 60 days from the date on which the said notification was made available to the public. Objections or suggestions from any person shall be considered if received before the expiry of the period.

03 OCTOBER 2024

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Draft Notification of FSS (Import) Amendment Regulation, 2024

FSSAI has released draft of certain regulations further to amend the Food Safety and Standards (Import) Regulations, 2017 on 07.10.2024. These regulations shall be called as Food Safety and Standards (Import) Amendment Regulations, 2024 and shall include –

a) In regulation 10(4)(b), the food laboratory can use validated methods of analysis from sources like AOAC, ISO, Codex, BIS, and other internationally recognized agencies if not listed in manuals.

b) In regulation 10(5), the laboratory must provide the analysis report in FORM-2, signed by the Food Analyst or Director, within five days of receiving the sample.

(03 October 2024)

Draft Food Safety and Standards (Licensing and Registration of Food Business) Amendment Regulations, 2024

FSSAI has released a draft of the FSS (Licensing and Registration of Food Business) Amendment Regulations, 2024. The amendments focus on hygiene requirements for primary milk producers, including small dairy holders who are not part of any cooperatives but are involved in selling milk directly for consumption without processing.

Another amendment introduces digitization of licensing and registration, enabling verification through digital tools to streamline the process.

(03 OCTOBER 2024)

Draft Notification of FSS (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Amendment Regulation, 2024

FSSAI has released draft of certain regulations further to amend the FSS (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Regulations, 2011 relating to the omission of the clause 8 i.e, “No person shall sell sal-seed fat for any other purpose except for bakery and confectionery and it shall be refined and shall bear the required label declaration” of sub regulation 2.3.14. This regulation maybe called as FSS (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Amendment Regulations, 2024.

(04 OCTOBER 2024)

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India Participated in the 44th Session of Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses

India took part in the 44th CODEX Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses in Dresden, Germany from October 2nd to October 6th, 2024. India shared insights on nutrient reference values for ages 6 to 36, highlighted the necessity for updating FAO/WHO probiotic guidelines, and stressed the need for global harmonization in probiotic regulations. India's recommendations were included in shaping global food safety and nutrition standards.

(07 OCTOBER 2024)

FSSAI convenes meeting of Rice Millers and Fortified Rice Kernel manufacturers aimed at strengthening Food Safety Standards and Compliance with Fortification

FSSAI held a meeting with rice millers and fortified rice kernel (FRK) manufacturers to enhance food safety standards and compliance in fortification. The CEO stressed the need for strict FRK standards and adherence to compliance protocols, reiterating the requirement for third-party audits, failure to which shall be considered as non-compliance.

(07 OCTOBER 2024)

First Lady of Maldives Visits FSSAI, praises initiatives on Food Safety

Her Excellency Madam Sajidha Mohamed, First Lady of Maldives, visited FSSAI HQ on 07.10.2024. She emphasized the benefits of collaborating with India to improve food safety standards in Maldives and praised FSSAI's mobile food testing labs and food safety initiatives taken at the grassroot level.

(07 OCTOBER 2024)

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Mandatory use of test report formats as per Food Safety and Standards Rules, 2011 and amendments thereof and Food Safety and Standards (Import) Regulation, 2017 with NABL symbol

FSSAI-notified laboratories must use the prescribed test report formats as per the FSS rules for all surveillance and enforcement samples. For imported food products, the analysis report must follow FORM 2 per FSS Import Regulations. As laboratories are ISO/IEC 17025:2017 accredited, the report must include the NABL symbol.

(15 OCTOBER 2024)

Implementation of Agreement signed between FSSAI, MoFHW and Bhutan Food and Drug Authority (BFDA)

An agreement is signed between FSSAI, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India and Bhutan Food and Drug Authority, Ministry of Health, Royal Govt. of Bhutan at Thimphu on 21 March, 2024. The agreement aims to recognize the official control exercised by BFDA as equivalent to the FSSAI's requirements and the BFDA shall issue health certificate as proof of compliance with FSSAI requirements for export of food products to India.

(17 OCTOBER 2024)

Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) first Amendment Regulations, 2024

FSSAI has released draft to amend the FSS (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Regulations, 2023 relating to the omission of the provision for mandatory BIS/AGMARK certification. Additionally, the clause 2.1.1 (5) i.e., "a mixture of two or more edible oils as an edible oil" shall remain inoperative in respect of Multi-Source Edible Oil specified under the clause 24 of sub-regulation 2.2.1 of the FSS (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Regulation. Additionally, Multi-Source Edible Oil shall not be sold in a package weighing more than 15 litres. This regulation may be called as FSS (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) first Amendment Regulations, 2024.

(18 OCTOBER 2024)

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Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) First Amendment Regulations, 2024

FSSAI has released draft of certain regulations further to amend the FSS (Contaminants, toxins and Residues) regulation, relating to the tolerance limit of antibiotics and crop contaminants. This regulation may be called the FSS (Contaminants, toxins and Residues) First Amendment Regulations, 2024 and shall come into force on 1st April, 2025.

(18 OCTOBER 2024)

Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) First Amendment Regulations, 2024

FSSAI has released the copy of the draft of certain regulation to amend the FSS (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Regulation, 2011. This regulation may be called as FSS (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) First Amendment Regulations, 2024 and shall come in to effect on 1st May, 2025 except for clause relating to the rice flour for preparation of Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK), Vitamin and Mineral premix for the preparation of fortified FRK and fortified rice kernel which shall come in to effect on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

The draft regulation also included the revised milk fat content in khoa, inclusion of compositional standards for mozzarella cheese. Amendments relating to peanut butter, olive oils, pickled eggs, inclusion of standards for fish oil, dried parsley etc. have also been mentioned in the draft. Oligosaccharide may be added in the listed food categories at the permissible level. Microbiological standards for baker's yeast and processed neera has also been included.

(23 OCTOBER 2024)