



EU - Strengthens BPA Restriction in Food Contact Materials and Articles

On February 2018, the European Commission published regulation (EU) 2018/213 on the use of bisphenol A (BPA) in varnishes and coatings intended to come into contact with food and amending Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 as regards the use of that substance in plastic food contact materials.

The new requirement will be applicable from September 6, 2018.



Major changes as below:

- > Specific migration limit for BPA in plastic food contact materials and articles is lowered from 0.6 mg/kg to 0.05 mg/kg.
- > Specific migration limit for BPA in varnishes and coatings intended to come into contact with food is 0.05 mg/kg.
- > No migration of BPA shall be permitted from varnishes or coatings applied to materials and articles specifically intended to come into contact with infant formula, follow-on formula, processed cereal-based food, baby food, food for special medical purposes developed to satisfy the nutritional requirements of infants and young children or milk-based drinks and similar products specifically intended for young children, as referred to in Regulation (EU) No 609/2013


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