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Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005 is amended as follows:

- (1) Chapter 1 is amended as follows:
  - (a) In rows 1.1, 1.2, 1.4 to 1.20, 1.22 to 1.24, 1.28 and 1.29, in the column "Limits", the term "Absence" is replaced by the terms "Not detected";
  - (b) In the column "Analytical reference method":
    - (i) in rows 1.4 to 1.20, 1.22 and 1.23, "EN/ISO 6579" is replaced by "EN ISO 6579-1";
    - (ii) in rows 1.21, the terms "European screening method of the CRL for coagulase positive staphylococci (<sup>13</sup>)" are replaced by the terms "EN ISO 19020";
    - (iii) in row 1.24, "ISO/TS 22964" is replaced by "EN ISO 22964";
    - (iv) in rows 1.26 to 1.27a, "HPLC (<sup>19</sup>)" is replaced by "EN ISO 19343";
    - (v) in row 1.28, "EN/ISO 6579 (for detection) White- Kaufmann-Le Minor scheme (for serotyping)" is replaced by "EN ISO 6579-1 (for detection) White- Kauffmann-Le Minor scheme (for serotyping)";
  - (c) In row 1.24, in the column "Micro-organisms/their toxins, metabolites", the terms "(*Enterobacter sakasakii*)" are deleted;
  - (d) In row 1.28, in the column "Micro-organisms/their toxins, metabolites", the terms "Salmonella typhimurium (21) Salmonella enteritidis" are replaced by the terms "Salmonella Typhimurium (21) Salmonella Enteritidis";
  - (e) In the second indent of footnote 4, the terms "excluding sprouted seeds," are deleted;
  - (f) Footnotes 13 and 19 are deleted;
  - (g) In footnote 14, the terms "*E. sakazakii*" are replaced by the terms "*Cronobacter* spp.";
  - (h) Under the heading 'Interpretation of the test results', the terms "*Enterobacter sakazakii*" are replaced by the terms "*Cronobacter* spp.";
  - (i) In row 1.20, in the column "Food category", the terms "Unpasteurised fruit and vegetable juices (ready- to-eat)" are replaced by the following:
    - "Unpasteurised(\*) fruit and vegetable juices (ready- to-eat)

- (2) Chapter 2 is amended as follows:
  - (a) In rows 2.1.1, 2.1.2., 2.1.6., 2.1.7. the terms "ISO 4833" are replaced by the terms "EN ISO 4833-1";
  - (b) In rows 2.1.3 to 2.1.5, 2.2.9 and 2.2.10, in the column "Limits", the term "Absence" is replaced by the terms "Not detected";

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<sup>(\*)</sup> The term unpasteurised means that the juice has not been subjected to pasteurisation obtained by time-temperature combinations or to other processes validated to achieve an equivalent bactericidal effect to pasteurisation as regards its effect on *Salmonella*".

- (c) In the column "Analytical reference method":
  - (i) in rows 2.1.1, 2.1.2, 2.2.1, 2.2.7, 2.2.8 and 2.3.1, the terms "ISO 21528-2" are replaced by the terms "EN ISO 21528-2";
  - (ii) in row 2.1.3 and 2.1.4, the terms "EN/ISO 6579" are replaced by the terms "EN ISO 6579-1";
  - (iii) in row 2.1.5, the terms "EN/ISO 6579 (for detection)" are replaced by the terms "EN ISO 6579-1";
  - (iv) in rows 2.2.9 and 2.2.10, the terms "ISO 21528-1" are replaced by the terms "EN ISO 21528-1";
- (d) In Section 2.1 "Meat and products thereof", footnote 10 is replaced by the following:
  - "Where *Salmonella* spp. is found, the isolates shall be further serotyped for *Salmonella* Typhimurium and *Salmonella* Enteritidis in order to verify compliance with the microbiological criterion set out in Row 1.28 of Chapter 1.";
- (e) In Section 2.2 "Milk and dairy products", in footnote 9, the terms "E. sakazakii" are replaced by the terms "*Cronobacter* spp.";
- (f) In row 2.5.2, in the column "Food category", the terms "Unpasteurised fruit and vegetable juices (ready- to-eat)" are replaced by the following:
  - "Unpasteurised(\*) fruit and vegetable juices (ready- to-eat)

<sup>(\*)</sup> The term unpasteurised means that the juice has not been subjected to pasteurisation obtained by time-temperature combinations or to other processes validated to achieve an equivalent bactericidal effect to pasteurisation as regards its effect on *E.coli*".