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**June 23, 2006**

**Director Notice\***

**Department of Food Safety**

**Pharmaceutical and Food Safety Bureau**

**Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare**

### **Partial Revision of Specifications and Standards for Food, Food Additives, Etc.**

The Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare has issued the Notification to Partially Revise the Specifications and Standards for Food, Food Additives, Etc (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Notification No. 394, 2006 ). By the notice the specifications and standards (Ministry of Health and Welfare Notification, No. 370, 1959) have been revised.

1. Outline of revision

Extraction and clean-up methods for honey and royal jelly have been newly added in the analytical method for chloramphenicol, a chemical substance which the Food Sanitation Law stipulates shall not be detected in any food.

2. Date of enforcement

June 23, 2006

3. Other matters

- a. When the gas chromatograph-mass spectrometer is specified as the determination apparatus in the analytical methods stipulated in Items 5, 6, and 7 in the “General Compositional Standards for Food.” Both GC/MS and GC/MS/MS may be used.
- b. When the liquid chromatograph-mass spectrometer is specified as the determination apparatus in the analytical methods stipulated in Items 5, 6, and 7. Both LC/MS and LC/MS/MS may be used.
- c. When mass spectrometry is performed as directed in the quantitative tests of analytical methods stipulated in Items 5, 6, and 7, a stable isotope labeled standard should be used for recovery correction if necessary.
- d. The limit of detection of the specified analytical method is 0.0005 ppm for honey and 0.005 ppm for royal jelly.

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\* This document is rearranged from the original Director Notice (Syoku-An No.0623001, June 23, 2006). This rearrangement aims to help English readers understand the notice.