

Maximum permitted levels for Stevia

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Stevia (also known as 'Steviol Glycosides') is a natural sweetener and is permitted for use in specified food products at various levels.

The following table, summarised from Schedule 1 of the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code Standard 1.3.1 (Issue 111) lists the maximum permitted levels for Stevia for various food products. To account for any updates it is strongly recommended that the Food Standard be consulted to ensure compliance.

Section	Description	Max permitted Level
1.1.2	Liquid Milk Products and flavoured liquid Milk	115 mg / kg
1.2.2	Fermented milk products and rennetted milk products	176 mg / kg
3	Ice Cream and Edible Ices	64 mg / kg
3	Ice Confection sold in liquid form	115 mg / kg
3	Reduced and Low fat Ice Cream & Edible Ices	208 mg / kg
4.3.2	Fruits and vegetables in vinegar, oil, brine or alcohol	160 mg / kg
4.3.4	Low joule chutneys, low joule jams and low joule spreads	450 mg / kg
4.3.6	Fruit & Vegetable preparations including pulp	208 mg / kg
5.1	Chocolate and cocoa products	550 mg / kg
5.2	Sugar Confectionery	1100 mg / kg
5.2	Sugar Confectionery : Low joule chewing gum	1100 mg / kg
6.3	Processed cereal and meal products	250 mg / kg
7.1	Bread and related products: fancy breads	160 mg / kg
7.2	Biscuits, cakes and pastries	160 mg / kg
11.4	Tabletop Sweeteners	GMP
11.4.1	Tabletop Sweeteners – liquid preparation	GMP
11.4.2	Tabletop Sweeteners – tablets or powder or granules packed	GMP

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	in portion sized packages	
13.3	Formula meal replacements and formulated supplementary foods	175 mg / kg
13.4	Formulated supplementary sports foods	175 mg / kg
14.1.2.1	Fruit and Vegetable Juices	50 mg / kg
14.1.2.2	Fruit and Vegetable Juices : Low joule fruit and vegetable juice products	125 mg / kg
14.1.2.2	Fruit and Vegetable Juices : soy bean beverage (plain and flavoured) plain	65 mg / kg
14.1.2.2	Fruit and Vegetable Juices : soy bean beverage (plain and flavoured) flavoured	175 mg / kg
14.1.3	Water based flavoured drinks	160 mg / kg
14.1.3.1	Brewed Soft Drinks	160 mg / kg
14.1.4	Formulated Beverage	160 mg / kg
14.1.5	Coffee, coffee substitutes, tea, herbal infusions and similar products	100 mg / kg
20.2	Mixed Foods : Custard mix, custard powder and blanc mange powder	80 mg / kg
20.2	Mixed Foods : Jelly	260 mg / kg
20.2	Mixed Foods: Dairy and fat based desserts, dips and snacks (Dairy and fat based dessert products only)	150 mg / kg
20.2	Mixed Foods: Sauces and toppings (including mayonnaises and salad dressings)	320 mg / kg

Please note when a maximum level for Stevia is not given for a particular food product this implies that Stevia is not permitted for that application. Please check with Food Standards Australia New Zealand for clarification.

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