

Standards for the Tolerance of Atomic Dust and Radioactivity Contamination in Foods

Article 1

The Standards are established in accordance with the provisions of the second paragraph of Article 15 of the Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation.

Article 2

The tolerances of atomic dust and radioactivity contamination in foods:

Radioactive nucleus Food category	^{131}I	$^{134}\text{Cs} + ^{137}\text{Cs}$
Milk and Milk products	55 Bq/kg	50 Bq/kg
Infant foods	55 Bq/kg	50 Bq/kg
Soft drink and bottled water	100 Bq/kg	10 Bq/kg
Other foods ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	100 Bq/kg	100 Bq/kg

Note. The standards apply to a nuclear or radiological contamination, which includes both accidents and malevolent actions.

⁽¹⁾ Dry foods intended to be consumed in a reconstituted state (e.g., dried products of mushrooms, seaweeds, fish, shellfish and vegetables) shall apply to the tolerance for “Other foods” after reconstitute to ready-to-eat state. Foods intended to be consumed in a dried state (e.g., nori, niboshi, dried cuttlefish, raisin) shall directly apply to the tolerance for “Other foods”.

⁽²⁾ For tea leaves, a liquid extract obtained after brewing process shall apply to the tolerance for “Soft drink and bottled water”.

Article 3

The Standards shall be implemented from the date of promulgation.