

Trinidad and Tobago Food and Drugs metal limits

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The instrument

This page records the heavy-metal maximum levels set by Trinidad and Tobago Food and Drugs metal limits, the instrument of Trinidad and Tobago Ministry of Legal Affairs. Every value below is transcribed into the Heavy Metal Index register from the primary text and is the value an HMTc standard cites when this jurisdiction binds a certification limit. It is a record of law, not an HMTc threshold.

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Maximum levels

All values µg/kg (ppb), in the basis the instrument states. 51 maximum levels across 5 analytes and 26 product categories, grouped by analyte and ordered by limit.

LIMIT MG/KG	BASIS	PRODUCT SCOPE	PROVISION
LEAD (PB) 24 LIMITS			
200	food as sold or prepared as applicable	beverages	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
200	food as sold or prepared as applicable	fruit juice except apple juice	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
500	food as sold or prepared as applicable	apple juice, cider, wine, and beer	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
2000	fish or fishery product as assessed	fish and fishery products	Fish and Fishery Products Regulations Second Schedule Table 1 trace-metals row
2000	food-grade salt as sold	food-grade salt	Food and Drugs Regulations Division 19 paragraph 4(e) naturally occurring contaminant row

LIMIT MG/KG	BASIS	PRODUCT SCOPE	PROVISION
2000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	foods not named in the Division 6 table	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 3(a)(ii) residual lead row
2000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	fresh vegetables	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
5000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	calcium phosphate	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
5000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	phosphoric acid	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
5000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	sodium bicarbonate	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
5000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	sodium, potassium, and ammonium phosphates	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
7000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	fresh fruits	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
7000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	gelatin	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
10000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	baking powder	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
10000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	citric acid	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
10000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	dried herbs and spices	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
10000	colour for use in or upon food	food colours for use in or upon food	Food and Drugs Regulations Division 2 paragraph 4(b)
10000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	marine and fresh water animal products	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
10000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	sodium and potassium nitrates	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
10000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	tartaric acid	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
10000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	tea	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
20000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	cream of tartar	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
20000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	gelling agents except gelatin	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
20000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	sodium nitrite	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table lead row
TOTAL ARSENIC (TAS) 23 LIMITS			
100	food as sold or prepared as applicable	beverages	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row

LIMIT MG/KG	BASIS	PRODUCT SCOPE	PROVISION
100	food as sold or prepared as applicable	fruit juice except apple juice	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
200	food as sold or prepared as applicable	apple juice, cider, wine, and beer	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
500	food-grade salt as sold	food-grade salt	Food and Drugs Regulations Division 19 paragraph 4(a) naturally occurring contaminant row
1000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	citric acid	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
1000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	foods not named in the Division 6 table	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 3(a)(i) residual arsenic row
1000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	fresh vegetables	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
1000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	sodium and potassium nitrates	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
1000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	sodium nitrite	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
1000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	tartaric acid	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
1000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	tea	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
2000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	baking powder	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
2000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	cream of tartar	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
2000	colour for use in or upon food	food colours for use in or upon food	Food and Drugs Regulations Division 2 paragraph 4(a)
2000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	fresh fruits	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
2000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	gelatin	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
2000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	gelling agents except gelatin	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
2000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	sodium bicarbonate	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
4000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	calcium phosphate	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
4000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	phosphoric acid	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
4000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	sodium, potassium, and ammonium phosphates	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row

LIMIT MG/KG	BASIS	PRODUCT SCOPE	PROVISION
5000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	dried herbs and spices	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
5000	food as sold or prepared as applicable	marine and fresh water animal products	Food and Drugs Regulations First Schedule Division 6 paragraph 2 table arsenic row
CADMIUM (CD) 1 LIMIT			
500	food-grade salt as sold	food-grade salt	Food and Drugs Regulations Division 19 paragraph 4(b) naturally occurring contaminant row
MERCURY, TOTAL (THG) 1 LIMIT			
100	food-grade salt as sold	food-grade salt	Food and Drugs Regulations Division 19 paragraph 4(f) naturally occurring contaminant row
METHYLMERCURY (MEHG) 2 LIMITS			
500	fish or fishery product as assessed	all fish except predatory fish	Fish and Fishery Products Regulations Second Schedule Table 1 methyl mercury row
1000	fish or fishery product as assessed	predatory fish such as shark, swordfish, tuna, pike, and others	Fish and Fishery Products Regulations Second Schedule Table 1 methyl mercury row

BASIS Values appear in the basis the instrument states; no conversion is applied on this page. A standard citing a value in a different basis discloses the conversion on its own derivation table.

Where HMTc cites it

Cells where this instrument holds the strictest government value in force among credible regulators, and therefore binds a published HMTc limit.

NO PUBLISHED STANDARD IS BOUND BY THIS INSTRUMENT YET

A limit recorded above binds nothing today only because another government holds a stricter value for every published cell. It may still bind later, as other jurisdictions relax or as a new subcategory is published.

How this interacts with HMTc

HMTc certification standards adopt the *strictest existing* maximum level set by any credible government, applied cell-by-cell. Where this instrument holds the strictest value for a (product, analyte) cell, it binds the HMTc limit and the standard cites this page. This page does not set or justify any HMTc threshold; it records the sovereign requirement the program measures against.

A reference page is a record of law, not an HMTc threshold. It states what a government requires; the standard page states what the program requires, and names which instrument binds each cell.