



Comparison between
CAN/CGSB-32.311-2015 amended 2018 and CAN-CGSB-32.311-2020

Tables 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 7.3, 7.4, 8.2, 8.3

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Agar	See Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents and precipitation aids</i> . Carriers have been moved to their own listing in 6.3

Alginates	The following alginates are permitted: a) alginic acid; b) potassium alginate; and c) sodium alginate.
Ammonium bicarbonate	As a leavening agent.
Ammonium carbonate	As a leavening agent.
Anhydrous sulphur dioxide, sulphurous acid (sulphur dioxide, SO ₂)	Sulphites from SO ₂ bottled gas as liquid SO ₂ or liberated from ignition of asbestos-free sulphur wicks are permitted. For use as a preservative in alcoholic beverages; minimal use of SO ₂ is recommended. Maximum allowable levels of SO ₂ in parts per million (ppm) are: a) in alcoholic beverages containing less than 5% residual sugar, 100 ppm and 30 ppm for total and free sulphites, respectively; b) in alcoholic beverages containing 5%-10% residual sugar, 150 ppm and 35 ppm for total and free sulphites, respectively; and c) in alcoholic beverages containing more than 10% or more residual sugar, 250 ppm and 45 ppm for total and free sulphites, respectively.
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Calcium phosphates (mono-, di-, and tri-basic forms)	
Calcium sulphate (gypsum)	Mined sources; calcium sulphate produced using sulphuric acid is prohibited.
Carbon dioxide	Carbonation of wine or mead is prohibited.
Carrageenan (Irish moss)	Derived using substances in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i> .
Colouring agents	Obtained from non-synthetic sources. Derived using substances in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i> .

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Carriers	Carriers of non-agricultural origin may be used if listed on Tables 6.3, 6.4 or 6.5. Non-organic carriers of agricultural origin (such as wheat starch) may be used if ingredients or processing aids containing organic carriers are not commercially available. New listing. Clarifies what can be used as a carrier.
Colouring agents	From biological sources such as spices, annatto, juices made from plant sources, etc. derived using approved methods (see Table 11 B (1) & (2), Origin and mode of production of CAN/CGSB-32.310), and substances in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents and precipitation aids</i> . May contain permitted carriers (see Table 6.3 & 6.4 Carriers).

Enzymes	<p>The following sources of enzymes are permitted:</p> <p>a) any preparations of enzymes normally used in food processing derived from edible, non-toxic plants, non-pathogenic fungi or non-pathogenic bacteria.</p> <p>b) derived from animals—shall be organic if commercially available: rennet; catalase from bovine liver; animal lipase; pancreatin; pepsin; and trypsin. Animal-derived enzymes shall be guaranteed free of specified risk materials including the skull, brain, trigeminal ganglia (nerves attached to the brain), eyes, tonsils, spinal cord and dorsal root ganglia (nerves attached to the spinal cord) of ruminants aged 30 months or older; and the distal ileum (portion of the small intestine) of ruminants of all ages;</p> <p>c) egg white lysozyme.</p>		Enzymes	<p>The following sources of enzymes are permitted:</p> <p>a) any preparations of enzymes normally used in food processing derived from edible, non-toxic plants, non-pathogenic fungi or non-pathogenic bacteria;</p> <p>b) derived from animals—shall be organic if commercially available: rennet; catalase from bovine liver; animal lipase; pancreatin; pepsin; and trypsin. Animal-derived enzymes shall be free of Specified Risk Material (SRM); and</p> <p>c) egg white lysozyme.</p>	
Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids	<p>The following may be used to derive substances listed in Tables 5.2, 6.3, 6.4 and 6.5:</p> <p>a) water;</p> <p>b) culinary steam, as described in 8.1.2 b) of CAN/CGSB-32.310;</p> <p>c) fats, oils and alcohols other than isopropyl alcohol;</p> <p>d) supercritical CO₂; and</p> <p>e) substances listed in Tables 6.3-6.5 of this standard.</p>		Extraction solvents and precipitation aids	<p>The following may be used to derive (extract) substances listed in Tables 5.2, 6.3, 6.4 and 6.5:</p> <p>a) water;</p> <p>b) culinary steam, as described in 8.1.2 b) of CAN/CGSB-32.310;</p> <p>c) fats, oils and alcohols other than isopropyl alcohol;</p> <p>d) supercritical CO₂; and</p> <p>e) substances listed in Tables 6.3, 6.4 or 6.5 of this standard.</p> <p>Precipitation aids derived from biological sources (such as plant proteins, albumin, casein, and gelatin) may also be used. In addition, non-biological precipitation aids, such as bentonite, silicon dioxide, etc., may be used if listed in Tables 6.3, 6.4 or 6.5. If listed in Tables 6.3, 6.4 or 6.5, precipitation aids shall meet any annotation restrictions therein.</p> <p>Up to this version the information for this listing covered extraction solvents exclusively. This 2020 listing includes insights into precipitation aids.</p>	

Gelatine	<p>Shall be organic if commercially available.</p> <p>Gelatine may be sourced from:</p> <p>a) plants; or</p> <p>b) animals. If derived from cattle, gelatine shall be guaranteed free of specified risk materials including the skull, brain, trigeminal ganglia (nerves attached to the brain), eyes, tonsils, spinal cord and dorsal root ganglia (nerves attached to the spinal cord) of cattle aged 30 months or older; and the distal ileum (portion of the small intestine) of cattle of all ages.</p>
Glucono delta lactone	Production by the oxidation of D-glucose with bromine water is prohibited.
Glycerides (mono- and diglycerides)	<p>From organic sources if commercially available.</p> <p>For use in drum drying of products.</p>
Glycerol (glycerine, glycerin)	<p>Shall be from organic sources if commercially available.</p> <p>Shall be from vegetable or animal fats and/or oils.</p> <p>Shall be produced using fermentation or by hydrolysis.</p>
Gums	<p>The following gums are permitted: arabic gum, carob bean gum (locust bean gum), gellan gum, guar gum, karaya gum, tragacanth gum, and xanthan gum.</p> <p>Shall be derived using substances listed in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i>. By exception, isopropyl alcohol may also be used to derive gums.</p>
Kelp and kelp products	For use as a thickener and dietary supplement.
Lecithin	Shall be organic if commercially available. Bleached form is permitted if processed using food-grade hydrogen peroxide.
Magnesium carbonate	For use in meat products whose contents are $\geq 70\%$ and $< 95\%$ organic ingredients, as an anti-caking agent in non-standardized dry mixes (example: seasonings).

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Magnesium carbonate	As an anti-caking agent in non-standardized dry mixes (e.g., seasonings) used in meat products with 70-95% organic content.

Magnesium chloride	Derived from seawater.
Magnesium stearate	If non-synthetic magnesium stearate is not commercially available, synthetic sources of magnesium stearate are permitted. For use as an anti-caking or releasing agent in products whose contents are ≥70% and <95% organic ingredients.
Magnesium sulphate	
Malic acid	
Meat curing agents	Extracts, juice or cultured powder of celery or chard are permitted. Shall be organic if commercially available.
Ozone	
Pectin	High-methoxyl and low-methoxyl pectin sources are permitted.
Potassium acid tartrate (KC ₄ H ₅ O ₆)	If the non-synthetic form is not commercially available, the synthetic form is permitted.
Potassium carbonates (mono- and bi-)	
Potassium chloride	Non-synthetic sources.
Potassium citrate	
Potassium metabisulphite	See <i>Anhydrous sulphur dioxide, sulphurous acid (sulphur dioxide, SO₂)</i> .
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Potassium carbonates (mono- and bi-)	
Potassium chloride	From mined sources such as sylvite, carnalite, and potash.
Potassium citrate	
Potassium metabisulphite	See Table 6.3 Sulphur dioxide, anhydrous (SO ₂).
Potassium phosphate (mono-, di-, and tribasic forms)	For use in products whose contents are ≥70% and <95% organic ingredients.

Potassium tartrate (K ₂ C ₄ H ₄ O ₆ . INS 336)	If the non-synthetic form is not commercially available, the synthetic form is permitted.	Potassium tartrate (K ₂ C ₄ H ₄ O ₆ . INS 336)	
Silicon dioxide		Silicon dioxide (silica)	No restrictions on sources or uses except for maple (see 7.2.12.6 of CAN/CGSB-32.310).
Sodium acid pyrophosphate	For use as a leavening agent.	Sodium acid pyrophosphate	For use as a leavening agent.
Sodium bicarbonate (baking soda)		Sodium bicarbonate (baking soda)	
Sodium carbonate (soda ash)	If the non-synthetic form is not commercially available, the synthetic form is permitted.	Sodium carbonate (soda ash)	If biological or mined sources are not commercially available, synthetic forms are permitted.
Sodium chloride		Sodium chloride	
Sodium citrate	Non-synthetic sources.	Sodium citrate	
Sodium hydroxide (lye or caustic soda)		Sodium hydroxide (lye or caustic soda)	
Sodium phosphates	For use in dairy products.	Sodium phosphates	For use in dairy products.

				Sulphur dioxide, anhydrous (SO ₂)	<p>Sulphites from SO₂-bottled gas; as liquid SO₂; or liberated from ignition of asbestos-free sulphur wicks are permitted.</p> <p>Sulphurous acid (aqueous sulphur dioxide) and Potassium metabisulphite are also permitted.</p> <p>For use as a preservative in alcoholic beverages; minimal use of SO₂ is recommended.</p> <p>Maximum allowable levels of SO₂ in parts per million (ppm) are:</p> <p>a) in alcoholic beverages containing less than 5% residual sugar, 100 ppm and 30 ppm for total and free sulphites, respectively;</p> <p>b) in alcoholic beverages containing 5%-10% residual sugar, 150 ppm and 35 ppm for total and free sulphites, respectively; and</p> <p>c) in alcoholic beverages containing more than 10% residual sugar, 250 ppm and 45 ppm for total and free sulphites, respectively.</p>
				Sulphurous acid	See Table 6.3 Sulphur dioxide, anhydrous (SO ₂).
				Tartaric acid (C ₄ H ₆ O ₆ INS 334)	<p>From lees.</p> <p>For beverages.</p>
				Tocopherols and mixed natural concentrates	Derived from vegetable oil when rosemary extract is not a suitable alternative.
				Vegetable oils	<p>Shall be organic if commercially available. Derived using substances listed in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i>.</p> <p>Maple syrup production—vegetable oils shall be organic and without allergenic potential.</p>
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Waxes	<p>Applied to fresh produce—only organic wax or carnauba wax is permitted.</p> <p>Applications other than fresh produce—If organic waxes, such as beeswax, are not commercially available, non-synthetic waxes, such as carnauba wax, shall be used.</p> <p>See Table 6.5 <i>Waxes</i>.</p>
Yeast	<p>If organic sources of yeast are not commercially available, these non-synthetic sources of yeast may be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) autolysate; b) bakers' (may contain lecithin, as listed in Table 6.3); c) brewers'; d) nutritional; and e) smoked. <p>Growth on petrochemical substrate and sulphite waste liquor is prohibited.</p> <p>Non-synthetic smoke flavouring process shall be documented.</p>
Yeast foods	<p>For use in alcoholic beverages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) potassium chloride—permitted for ale, beer, light beer, malt liquor, porter and stout; and b) dibasic ammonium phosphate (diammonium phosphate, DAP), restricted to 0.3 g/L (0.04 oz./gal.)—permitted for cider, mead and wine.

Waxes, produce	<p>Organic beeswax and organic carnauba wax may be used to wax produce. See 9.2.1 d) of CAN/CGSB-32.310 if organic wax is commercially unavailable.</p> <p>For other wax uses, see Table 6.5 <i>Waxes</i>.</p> <p>Lots of work was done on waxes, clearly differentiating between wax used on produce vs cheese. For non-produce waxes refer to the “waxes” listing in table 6.5</p>
Yeast	<p>If organic sources of yeast are not commercially available, these alternative sources of yeast may be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) autolysate; b) bakers' (may contain lecithin, as listed in Table 6.3); c) brewers'; d) nutritional; and e) torula. <p>Growth on petrochemical substrate and sulphite waste liquor is prohibited.</p> <p>Yeast may be smoked or smoke-flavoured. When smoked, the smoke shall come from concentrated, condensed smoke from wood without additional ingredients (unless listed in Tables 6.3, 6.4 or 6.5).</p> <p>Clarifying information was added regarding the source of smoked or smoked flavours that are permitted.</p>
Yeast foods	<p>For use in alcoholic beverages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) potassium chloride—permitted for ale, beer, light beer, malt liquor, porter and stout; and b) dibasic ammonium phosphate (diammonium phosphate, DAP), restricted to 0.3 g/L (0.04 oz/gal.)—permitted for cider, mead and wine.

Table 6.4 – Ingredients not classified as food additives

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Collagen casings	<p>Collagen shall be derived from animal sources. If derived from cattle, collagen shall be guaranteed free of specified risk materials including the skull, brain, trigeminal ganglia (nerves attached to the brain), eyes, tonsils, spinal cord and dorsal root ganglia (nerves attached to the spinal cord) of cattle aged 30 months or older; and the distal ileum (portion of the small intestine) of cattle of all ages.</p> <p>Other ingredients (such as, but not limited to: cellulose, calcium coatings, glycerin, etc.) added to collagen casings during their manufacture which remain in the collagen casing when it is used shall respect the requirement provided in 1.4 a) of CAN/CGSB-32.310.</p> <p>Permitted for poultry sausage.</p>
Cultures	See Table 6.4 <i>Micro-organisms</i> .
Flavours	Derived from non-synthetic sources (such as plants, meat, seafood, micro-organisms, etc.) using approved methods (see Table 10 B. Origin and mode of production of CAN/CGSB-32.310), and substances (see Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i>).

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Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Carriers	<p>Carriers of non-agricultural origin may be used if listed on Tables 6.3, 6.4 or 6.5. Non-organic carriers of agricultural origin (such as wheat starch) may be used if ingredients or processing aids containing organic carriers are not commercially available.</p> <p>Duplicate of the new 6.3 listing.</p>
Collagen casings	<p>Collagen shall be derived from animal sources. If derived from cattle, collagen shall be guaranteed free of Specified Risk Material (SRM).</p> <p>Other ingredients (such as, but not limited to: cellulose, calcium coatings, glycerin, etc.) added to collagen casings during their manufacture that remain in the collagen casing when it is used shall respect the requirement provided in 1.4 a) of CAN/CGSB-32.310.</p> <p>Permitted for poultry sausage.</p>
Cultures	See Table 6.4 Microorganisms.
Flavours	<p>Derived from biological sources using approved methods (see Table 11 B (1) & (2) Origin and mode of production of CAN/CGSB-32.310), and substances (see Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents and precipitation aids</i>).</p> <p>May contain permitted carriers (see Table 6.3 & 6.4 Carriers).</p>

Micro-organisms	<p>Includes starter and dairy cultures and other preparations of micro-organisms normally used in product processing.</p> <p>Ingredients used for micro-organism preparations: non-synthetic substrates (such as milk, lactose, soy, etc.) are permitted. Other ingredients used in micro-organism preparations (such as carriers, anti-caking agents and fillers, etc.) shall be listed in Tables 6.3 or 6.4.</p> <p>Operators shall obtain documentation from the manufacturer identifying any synthetic substances (such as preservatives, cryo-protectants, etc.) included in micro-organism preparations.</p>
Nitrogen	Shall be food-grade quality.
Oxygen	
Potassium iodide	<p>From non-synthetic sources.</p> <p>Shall be used when legally required. Synthetic potassium iodide is permitted for use in products whose contents are $\geq 70\%$ and $< 95\%$ organic ingredients.</p>
Salt	<p>Substances listed in Tables 6.3 or 6.4 may be added to mined or sea salt.</p> <p>See Table 6.3 <i>Sodium chloride; Potassium chloride</i>.</p> <p>See definition of Salt in clause 3 of CAN/CGSB-32.310.</p>
Smoke flavour	See Table 6.3 <i>Yeast</i> .
Starch	<p>From rice and waxy maize—Shall be derived using substances listed in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i>, where applicable. Starch shall not be modified by chemicals. Starch may be modified using physical or enzymatic methods.</p> <p>Cornstarch—May contain substances that are plant-derived and/or listed in Tables 6.3-6.5.</p>

Microorganisms	<p>Microbial preparations may contain substrates derived from agricultural or biological substances such as milk, lactose, soy, agar, etc. May also contain permitted carriers (see Table 6.3 & 6.4 Carriers).</p> <p>Includes starter and dairy cultures and other preparations of microorganisms normally used in product processing.</p>
Nitrogen	Shall be food-grade quality.
Oxygen	
Potassium iodide	<p>Shall be used when legally required or permitted.</p> <p>Eliminated the need to find non-synthetic sources as all sources were synthetic.</p>
Salt	<p>Substances listed in Tables 6.3 or 6.4 may be added to mined or sea salt.</p> <p>See Table 6.3 <i>Sodium chloride; Potassium chloride</i>.</p> <p>See definition of Salt in clause 3 of CAN/CGSB-32.310.</p>
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Vitamins and mineral nutrients	<p>Shall be used if legally required.</p> <p>The following non-dairy substitute products may be fortified on a voluntary basis, if legally permitted: plant-based beverages, products that resemble cheese, and butter substitutes.</p> <p>Ferrous sulphate—Shall be used if legally required and may be used, on a voluntary basis, if legally permitted.</p>
Yeast	<p>If organic sources of yeast are not commercially available, these non-synthetic sources of yeast may be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) autolysate; b) bakers' (may contain lecithin, as listed in Table 6.3); c) brewers'; d) nutritional; and e) smoked. <p>Growth on petrochemical substrate and sulphite waste liquor is prohibited.</p> <p>Non-synthetic smoke flavouring process shall be documented.</p>

Table 6.5 – Processing aids

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
<i>Acer pennsylvanicum</i>	As an anti-foaming agent in maple syrup production.

Vitamins and mineral nutrients	<p>Shall be used if legally required (e.g., fluid milk, white flour, infant formula, meal replacement, etc.).</p> <p>The following non-dairy substitute products may be fortified on a voluntary basis, if legally permitted: plant-based beverages, products that resemble cheese, and butter substitutes.</p> <p>Ferrous sulphate—Shall be used if legally required and may be used, on a voluntary basis, if legally permitted.</p> <p>More examples were added to help flesh out the requirement.</p>
Yeast	<p>If organic sources of yeast are not commercially available, these alternative sources of yeast may be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) autolysate; b) bakers' (may contain lecithin, as listed in Table 6.3); c) brewers'; d) nutritional; and e) torula. <p>Growth on petrochemical substrate and sulphite waste liquor is prohibited.</p> <p>Yeast may be smoked or smoke flavoured. When smoked, the smoke shall come from concentrated, condensed smoke from wood without additional ingredients (unless listed in Tables 6.3, 6.4 or 6.5).</p>

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<i>Acer pennsylvanicum</i>	As an anti-foaming agent in maple syrup production.

Activated charcoal	Shall be of plant origin. Prohibited for use in the production of maple syrup.	Activated charcoal	Shall be of plant origin. Prohibited for use in the production of maple syrup.
Alcohol, ethyl (ethanol)	Shall be organic if commercially available.	Alcohol, ethyl (ethanol)	Shall be organic if commercially available.
Argon		Argon	
Ascorbic acid (vitamin C)	For use as an anti-browning agent prior to the extraction or concentration of fruit or vegetable juice.	Ascorbic acid (vitamin C)	For use as an anti-browning agent prior to the extraction or concentration of fruit or vegetable juice.
Bentonite		Bentonite	
Calcium carbonate		Calcium carbonate	
Calcium hydroxide (lime)		Calcium hydroxide (lime)	
Calcium sulphate (gypsum)	Sulphates produced using sulphuric acid are prohibited. May be used: a) as a carrier for cakes and biscuits; b) for soybean products; and c) for bakers' yeast.	Calcium sulphate (gypsum)	Sulphates produced using sulphuric acid are prohibited. May be used: a) as a carrier for cakes and biscuits; b) for soybean products; and c) for bakers' yeast.
Carbon dioxide		Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)	
Carrageenan (Irish moss)	Derived using substances listed in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i> .	Carrageenan (Irish moss)	Derived using substances listed in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents and precipitation aids</i> .
Casein	Shall be from organic sources if commercially available. Non-organic casein shall be derived from the milk of animals not treated with rBGH (recombinant bovine growth hormone).	Casein	Shall be from organic sources if commercially available. Non-organic casein shall be derived from the milk of animals not treated with rBGH (recombinant bovine growth hormone).

Clay dust	As a filtering agent in maple syrup production.
Cellulose	As a filtering aid (non-chlorine bleached) and for use in inedible regenerative sausage casings.
Diatomaceous earth	As a food filtering aid or as a clarifying agent.
Enzymes	<p>The following sources of enzymes are permitted:</p> <p>a) any preparations of enzymes normally used in food processing derived from edible, non-toxic plants, non-pathogenic fungi or non-pathogenic bacteria;</p> <p>b) animal-derived—shall be organic if commercially available: rennet; catalase from bovine liver; animal lipase; pancreatin; pepsin; and trypsin. Animal-derived enzymes shall be guaranteed free of specified risk materials including the skull, brain, trigeminal ganglia (nerves attached to the brain), eyes, tonsils, spinal cord and dorsal root ganglia (nerves attached to the spinal cord) of ruminants aged 30 months or older; and the distal ileum (portion of the small intestine) of ruminants of all ages;</p> <p>c) egg white lysozyme.</p>
Ethylene	For post-harvest ripening of tropical fruit and degreening of citrus.

Citric acid	<p>From fruit and vegetable products or produced by microbial fermentation of carbohydrate substances.</p> <p>A citric acid listing was added to 6.5 to ensure it could be used a processing aid.</p>
Clay dust	As a filtering agent in maple syrup production.
Cellulose	<p>As a filtering aid (non-chlorine bleached) and for use in inedible regenerative sausage casings.</p> <p>The TCF (Totally Chlorine Free) method of bleaching is permitted.</p>
Diatomaceous earth	As a food filtering aid or as a clarifying agent.
Enzymes	<p>The following sources of enzymes are permitted:</p> <p>a) any preparations of enzymes normally used in food processing derived from edible, non-toxic plants, non-pathogenic fungi or non-pathogenic bacteria;</p> <p>b) animal-derived—shall be organic if commercially available: rennet; catalase from bovine liver; animal lipase; pancreatin; pepsin; and trypsin. Animal-derived enzymes shall be free of Specified Risk Material (SRM);</p> <p>c) egg white lysozyme.</p>

Gelatine	<p>Shall be from organic sources if commercially available.</p> <p>Permitted sources are:</p> <p>a) plants; and</p> <p>b) animals. Animal gelatine may be used in preparations of canned meat or as a gelling agent for gummed candy. If derived from cattle, gelatine shall be guaranteed free of specified risk materials including the skull, brain, trigeminal ganglia (nerves attached to the brain), eyes, tonsils, spinal cord and dorsal root ganglia (nerves attached to the spinal cord) of cattle aged 30 months or older; and the distal ileum (portion of the small intestine) of cattle of all ages.</p>
Isinglass	As a fining agent (fish-based).
Kaolin	As a clarifying agent.
Lecithin	Shall be organic if commercially available. Bleached form is permitted if processed using food-grade hydrogen peroxide.
Nitrogen	Shall be food-grade quality.
Oxygen	
Ozone	
Perlite	For use as a filtering aid.
Potassium carbonate	
Potassium hydroxide (caustic potash)	For pH adjustment. Prohibited for use in lye peeling of fruits and vegetables.

Gelatine	<p>Shall be from organic sources if commercially available.</p> <p>Permitted sources are:</p> <p>a) plants; and</p> <p>b) animals. Animal gelatine may be used in preparations of canned meat or as a gelling agent for gummed candy. If derived from cattle, gelatine shall be guaranteed free of Specified Risk Material (SRM).</p>
Hydrogen peroxide	<p>Food-grade. For use as a bleaching agent for proteins and starches.</p> <p>New listing was added to ensure H₂O₂ could be used as a bleaching agent</p>
Isinglass	As a fining agent (fish-based).
Kaolin	As a clarifying agent.
Lecithin	Shall be organic if commercially available. Bleached form is permitted if processed using food-grade hydrogen peroxide.
Nitrogen	Shall be food-grade quality.
Oxygen	
Ozone	
Perlite	For use as a filtering aid.
Potassium carbonate	
Potassium hydroxide (caustic potash)	For pH adjustment. Prohibited for use in lye peeling of fruits and vegetables.

Silica	As a filtering agent (food-grade powder) in maple syrup production.	Silicon dioxide (silica)	No restrictions on sources or uses except for maple (see 7.2.12.6 of CAN/CGSB-32.310) Added the maple restrictions. As nothing can be used during maple production that may change the intrinsic nature of the product.
Silicon dioxide		Sodium bicarbonate (baking soda)	
Sodium bicarbonate (baking soda)		Sodium hydroxide (lye or caustic soda)	Prohibited for use in lye peeling of fruits and vegetables.
Sodium hydroxide (lye or caustic soda)	Prohibited for use in lye peeling of fruits and vegetables.	Talc	As a filtering agent.
Talc	As a filtering agent.	Tannic acid	Shall be from an organic source if commercially available. Shall be derived using substances listed in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i> . Permitted as a filtration aid for wines.
Tannic acid	Shall be from an organic source if commercially available. Shall be derived using substances listed in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i> . Permitted as a filtration aid for wines.	Tartaric acid (C ₄ H ₆ O ₆ . INS 334)	From lees. For beverages.
Tartaric acid (C ₄ H ₆ O ₆ . INS 334)	Shall be from non-synthetic sources. For beverages.	Vegetable oils	From organic sources if commercially available. Derived using substances listed in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i> . Maple syrup production—vegetable oils shall be organic and without allergenic potential.
Vegetable oils	From organic sources if commercially available. Derived using substances listed in Table 6.3 <i>Extraction solvents, carriers and precipitation aids</i> . Maple syrup production—vegetable oils shall be organic and without allergenic potential.	Waxes	If organic waxes, such as beeswax or carnauba, are not commercially available, waxes derived from non-organic biological sources may be used. Edible wax cheese coatings that require a knife to cut or peel the wax away shall not contain paraffin, microcrystalline wax, non-listed preservatives, colours, bactericides or fungicides. Non-edible, fully removable (i.e., no knife is needed to cut or peel the wax away from the cheese), non-organic cheese wax may be used and shall be considered packaging per 8.1.6 of CAN/CGSB-32.310. For waxes applied to produce – see Table 6.3 Waxes, produce. Great detail was added on cheese waxes – differentiating between waxes that adhere to cheese and those that pull away from the cheeses.
Waxes	If organic waxes, such as beeswax, are not commercially available, non-synthetic sources of wax, such as carnauba wax, shall be used. By exception, paraffin wax may be used to coat cheese, if other non-synthetic waxes are not commercially available. Use of microcrystalline wax, either alone or in formulations with paraffin wax, is prohibited. Wax cheese coatings, except for organic waxes, must be removable and considered inedible, and shall not include synthetic preservatives, synthetic colors, or any bactericide or fungicide.		

7.1.3 Substances listed on Safety Data Sheets (SDS) shall be listed in Tables 7.3 or 7.4 and shall comply with prohibitions in 1.4 of CAN/CGSB-32.310. Other ingredients in formulated cleaners, sanitizers and disinfectants used directly on organic products or organic product contact surfaces, without a removal event, shall be limited to substances listed in Table 7.3, water, compounds used to treat drinking water, and product stabilisers, such as HEDP (1-hydroxyethane 1,1-diphosphonic acid) or dipicolinic acid, whose function is to prevent the chemical degradation of substances listed in Table 7.3, such as hydrogen peroxide or peracetic acid. Any other ingredients, such as but not limited to dyes, fragrances, and chemical agents used to prevent physical separation of foams or emulsions, for example, shall be listed in Table 7.3.

Table 7.3 – Food-grade cleaners, disinfectants and sanitizers permitted without a mandatory removal event

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Acetic acid	Non-synthetic sources are permitted on organic products. Non-synthetic and synthetic sources may be used on organic product contact surfaces.
Alcohol, ethyl (ethanol)	On organic product contact surfaces.
Alcohol, isopropyl	Non-synthetic and synthetic sources are permitted on organic product contact surfaces.
Alcohol, organic sources	
Ascorbic acid (vitamin C)	

7.1.3 All non-organic ingredients listed on Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and active ingredients listed on the label of formulated cleaners, sanitizers and disinfectants shall be listed in Tables 7.3 or 7.4. Other non-organic ingredients used without a removal event shall be limited to substances listed in Table 7.3; water; compounds used to treat drinking water; and product stabilisers, such as HEDP (1-hydroxyethane 1,1-diphosphonic acid) or dipicolinic acid, whose function is to prevent the chemical degradation of substances listed in Table 7.3. 7.4-compliant products may contain non-active ingredients, including but not limited to dyes, fragrances, and chemical agents used to prevent physical separation of foams or emulsions. Clause 7 does not apply to maple syrup production. The operator shall meet the specific requirements for the different stages of production as described in 7.2 of CAN/CGSB 32.310.

For 7.3 compliant cleaning products up to now only the ingredients listed on the SDS needed to be assessed. As of 2020 also the ingredients identified on the product label must also be assessed for compliance.

Table 7.3 – Food-grade cleaners, disinfectants and sanitizers permitted without a mandatory removal event

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Acetic acid	May be used on organic product contact surfaces. May be used on organic products if produced by microbial fermentation of natural carbohydrate sources (sugars, wood, etc.). Example: apple cider vinegar. May be filtered or unfiltered.
Alcohol, ethyl (ethanol)	May be used on organic product contact surfaces.
Alcohol, isopropyl	May be used on organic product contact surfaces.
Alcohol, organic sources	
Ascorbic acid (vitamin C)	

Chlorine compounds	<p>The following chlorine compounds are permitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) calcium hypochlorite; b) chlorine dioxide; c) sodium hypochlorite. <p>Shall not exceed maximum levels for safe drinking water.</p> <p>Chlorine compounds may be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) for wash water in direct contact with crops or food; b) in flush water from cleaning irrigation systems, equipment, and storage and/or transport units—application to crops or fields is permitted.
Citric acid	Non-synthetic and synthetic sources are permitted.
Glycerol (glycerine, glycerin)	<p>Shall be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) sourced from vegetable or animal fats and/or oils; b) produced using fermentation or by hydrolysis.
Hydrogen peroxide	

Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)	
Chlorine compounds	<p>The following chlorine compounds are permitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) calcium hypochlorite; b) chlorine dioxide; c) hypochlorous acid generated via electrolyzed water; (added as an additional source) d) sodium hypochlorite. <p>Shall not exceed maximum levels for safe drinking water.</p> <p>Chlorine compounds may be used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) for wash water in direct contact with crops or food; b) in flush water from cleaning irrigation systems, equipment, storage or transport units—application to crops or fields is permitted.
Citric acid	
Glycerol (glycerine, glycerin)	<p>Shall be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) sourced from vegetable oil or animal fat; b) produced using fermentation or by hydrolysis.
Hydrogen peroxide	
Lactic acid	
Magnesium sulphate	
Microorganisms	Living or dead biological organisms, such as viruses, phages, bacteria, protozoa, fungi, etc.

Ozone	
Peracetic (peroxyacetic) acid	On food and plants: peracetic acid may be used in wash or rinse water. Peracetic acid may also be used on food contact surfaces.
Potassium bicarbonate	On organic product contact surfaces.
Sodium bicarbonate (baking soda)	
Sodium carbonate (soda ash)	Non-synthetic sources. See Table 7.4 <i>Sodium carbonate (soda ash), synthetic</i> .
Sodium citrate	Non-synthetic sources.
Sodium hydroxide (lye or caustic soda)	
Vinegar	

Ozone	
Peracetic (peroxyacetic) acid	On food and plants: peracetic acid may be used in wash or rinse water. Peracetic acid may also be used on food contact surfaces.
Potassium bicarbonate	On organic product contact surfaces.
Sodium bicarbonate (baking soda)	
Sodium carbonate (soda ash)	Biological or mined sources. See Table 7.4 Sodium carbonate (soda ash), synthetic.
Sodium citrate	
Sodium hydroxide (lye or caustic soda)	
Vinegar	

Table 7.4 – Cleaners, disinfectants and sanitizers permitted on organic product contact surfaces for which a removal event is mandatory

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Chlorine compounds	The following chlorine compounds are permitted up to maximum label rates: a) calcium hypochlorite; b) chlorine dioxide; and c) sodium hypochlorite.
Detergents	Detergents shall be biodegradable (see <i>Biodegradable</i> definition in clause 3 of CAN/CGSB-32.310).
Hydrogen peroxide	Permitted up to maximum label rates.
Iodine	Shall be non-elemental. Shall not exceed 5% solution by volume (example: iodophors).
Lime	All forms of lime, including calcium carbonate, calcium hydroxide and calcium oxide.

Table 7.4 – Cleaners, disinfectants and sanitizers permitted on organic product contact surfaces for which a removal event is mandatory

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Chlorine compounds	The following chlorine compounds are permitted up to maximum label rates: a) calcium hypochlorite; b) chlorine dioxide; c) hypochlorous acid generated via electrolyzed water; (added per 7.3) d) sodium hypochlorite.
Detergents	Detergents shall be readily, ultimately or inherently biodegradable as per the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) definitions, or readily eliminated during wastewater treatment such that harm to the environment is minimized. This revision reflects the current means of assessing detergent biodegradability.
Essential oils	Derived from plant sources using substances in Table 6.3 Extraction solvents and precipitation aids. May contain permitted carriers (see Table 6.3 and 6.4 Carriers). A new listing to increase the selection of cleaning products that could be used.
Iodine	Shall be non-elemental. Shall not exceed 5% solution by volume (example: iodophors).
Lime	All forms of lime, including calcium carbonate, calcium hydroxide and calcium oxide.
Octanoic acid (caprylic acid)	A new listing to increase the selection of cleaning products that could be used.

Phosphoric acid	On dairy equipment.
Potassium carbonate	Documentation shall demonstrate that effluent discharge was neutralized to minimize negative environmental impact.
Potassium hydroxide (caustic potash)	
Potassium permanganate	Not to exceed 1% solution by volume.
Soap-based algicide (demossers)	
Soaps	Soaps shall consist of fatty acids derived from animal or vegetable oils.
Sodium borate	
Sodium carbonate (soda ash), synthetic	
Sodium citrate	
Sodium percarbonate	
Sodium silicate	In detergents. See Table 7.4 <i>Detergents</i> .

Peroxyoctanoic acid (POOA)	A new listing to increase the selection of cleaning products that could be used.
Phosphoric acid	On dairy equipment.
Potassium carbonate	Documentation shall demonstrate that effluent discharge was neutralized to minimize negative environmental impact.
Potassium hydroxide (caustic potash)	
Potassium permanganate	Not to exceed 1% solution by volume.
Saponin	Derived from plants such as <i>Yucca schidigera</i> and <i>Quillaja saponaria</i> .
Soap-based algicide (demossers)	
Soaps	Soaps shall consist of fatty acids derived from animal or vegetable oils.
Sodium borate	
Sodium carbonate (soda ash), synthetic	
Sodium percarbonate	
Sodium silicate	In detergents.

Surfactants	See Table 7.4 <i>Detergents; Soaps</i> .
Wetting agents	Non-synthetic wetting agents, including saponins and microbial wetting agents. See Table 7.4 <i>Detergents; Soaps</i> .

Surfactants	Surfactants either stand alone or when formulated with detergents shall be readily, ultimately or inherently biodegradable as per the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) definitions, or readily eliminated during wastewater treatment such that harm to the environment is minimized. This annotation was revised in the hopes it would help operators to understand the requirement.
Wetting agents	Substances listed in Table 4.2 or 7.3, including saponins and microbial wetting agents.

Table 8.2 – Facility pest management substances

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Ammonium carbonate	As an attractant in insect traps.
Baits for rodent traps	
Boric acid	May be used for structural pest control (example: for ants). Direct contact with organic products is prohibited.
Carbon dioxide	
Cholecalciferol (vitamin D ₃)	Prohibited inside organic food processing and food storage facilities.
Diatomaceous earth	Direct contact with organic products is permitted.

Table 8.2 – Facility pest management substances

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Ammonium carbonate	As an attractant in insect traps.
Baits for bait stations	
Boric acid	May be used for structural pest control (example: for ants). Direct contact with organic products is prohibited.
Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)	For controlled atmosphere storage and for storage pest control. Annotation was added to increase clarity.
Cholecalciferol (vitamin D ₃)	Prohibited inside organic food processing and food storage facilities.
Diatomaceous earth	Direct contact with organic products is permitted.
Formulants	May only be used with substances listed in Table 8.2. Only formulants classified as List 4A or 4B by the Pest Management Regulatory

Neem oil	
Pheromones and other semiochemicals	<p>Synthetic and non-synthetic pheromones and semiochemicals are permitted.</p> <p>For pest control. Use in pheromone traps or passive dispensers. Formulants classified in List 3 by PMRA may be used with passive pheromone dispensers.</p>
Pyrethrins	<p>Without piperonyl butoxide as a carrier.</p> <p>Direct contact with organic products is prohibited.</p>
Soaps, ammonium	<p>As a large animal repellent.</p> <p>Direct contact with organic products is prohibited.</p>

	<p>Agency (PMRA) or are non-synthetic may be used with substances in Table 8.2.</p> <p>Formulants classified as List 3 by PMRA may be used with passive pheromone dispensers.</p> <p>Formulants classified as List 4A, 4B or 3 by PMRA are not subject to 1.4 or 1.5 of CAN/CGSB-32.310.</p> <p>Formulants classified as List 1 or 2 by PMRA are prohibited.</p> <p>This listing was added for clarity. it duplicates the formulant listing in Crop PSL Table 4.2 column 2 'Formulants used in crop production aids'.</p>
Neem oil	
Pheromones and other semiochemicals	For pest control. Use in pheromone traps or passive dispensers.
Pyrethrins	<p>Without piperonyl butoxide.</p> <p>Direct contact with organic products is prohibited.</p>
Repellents	<p>Shall be derived from a biological source, such as sterilized blood meal, rotten eggs, hair or predator scents. May contain other biological compounds and PMRA 4a- or 4b-listed formulants.</p> <p>Duplicated from Crop PSL Table 4.2 column 2 'Repellents'.</p>
Soaps, ammonium	<p>As a large animal repellent.</p> <p>Direct contact with organic products is prohibited.</p>

Table 8.3 – Post-harvest substances

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Carbon dioxide	For controlled atmosphere storage.
Clove oil	As a sprout inhibitor.
Ethylene	For post-harvest ripening of tropical fruit and degreening of citrus.
Nitrogen	For controlled atmosphere storage.
Oxygen	

Table 8.3 – Post-harvest substances

Substance name(s)	Origin and usage
Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)	For controlled atmosphere storage.
Clove oil	As a sprout inhibitor.
Ethylene	For post-harvest ripening of tropical fruit and degreening of citrus and to control sprouting of potatoes post-harvest in holding bins.
Formulants	<p>Formulants may only be used with substances listed in Table 8.3. Only formulants classified as List 4A or 4B by the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) or are non-synthetic may be used with substances in Table 8.3. Formulants classified as List 3 by PMRA may be used with passive pheromone dispensers. Formulants classified as List 4A, 4B or 3 by PMRA are not subject to 1.4 or 1.5 of CAN/CGSB-32.310.</p> <p>Formulants classified as List 1 or 2 by PMRA are prohibited.</p> <p>Duplication of Formulants in Crop PSL Table 4.2 column 2 'Formulants used in crop production aids'.</p>
Nitrogen	For controlled atmosphere storage.
Oxygen	