

## GENERAL

This Chapter covers :

## (I) Dairy products :

- (A) Milk, i.e., full cream milk and partially or completely skimmed milk.
- (B) Cream.
- (C) Buttermilk, curdled milk and cream, yogurt, kephir and other fermented or acidified milk and cream.
- (D) Whey.
- (E) Products consisting of natural milk constituents, not elsewhere specified or included.
- (F) Butter and other fats and oils derived from milk; dairy spreads.
- (G) Cheese and curd.

The products mentioned at Items (A) to (E) above may contain, in addition to natural milk constituents (e.g., milk enriched in vitamins or mineral salts), small quantities of stabilising agents which serve to maintain the natural consistency of the product during transport in liquid state (disodium phosphate, trisodium citrate and calcium chloride, for instance) as well as very small quantities of anti-oxidants or of vitamins not normally found in the product. Certain of these products may also contain small quantities of chemicals (e.g., sodium bicarbonate) necessary for their processing; products in the form of powder or granules may contain anticaking agents (for example, phospholipids, amorphous silicon dioxide).

For the purposes of Note 4 (b) to this Chapter the expression "butyric fats" means milk fats and the expression "oleic fats" means fats other than milk fats, in particular vegetable fats (e.g., olive oil).

On the other hand, the Chapter **excludes** products obtained from whey, containing by weight more than 95 % lactose, expressed as anhydrous lactose, calculated on the dry matter (**heading 17.02**). For the purposes of calculating the percentage weight of lactose in a product the expression "dry matter" should be taken to exclude both free water and water of crystallisation.

The Chapter also **excludes**, *inter alia*, the following :

- (a) Food preparations based on dairy products (in particular, **heading 19.01**).
- (b) Products obtained from milk by replacing one or more of the natural constituents (e.g., butyric fats) by another substance (e.g., oleic fats) (**heading 19.01** or **21.06**).
- (c) Ice cream and other edible ice (**heading 21.05**).
- (d) Medicaments of **Chapter 30**.
- (e) Casein (**heading 35.01**), milk albumin (**heading 35.02**) and hardened casein (**heading 39.13**).

## (II) Birds' eggs and egg yolks.

## (III) Natural honey.

## (IV) Edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included.