

Composite food

FACT SHEET

2022



Legislation

Protected geographical indication for Zagorski štrukli/Zagorski štruklji Zagorski štrukli/Zagorski štruklji (Croatian pastries)

[EU Official Journal L 72 of 7 March 2022, p. 1](#)

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/377 of 28 February 2022 entering a name in the register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications ('Zagorski štrukli'/'Zagorski štruklji' (PGI)).

Glycolipids approved as a preservative in beverages

[EU Official Journal L 173 of 30 June 2022, p. 52](#)

Commission regulation (EU) 2022/1037 of 29 June 2022 amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and the Annex to Commission Regulation (EU) No 231/2012 as regards the use of glycolipids as preservatives in beverages.

Fraud

Mislabeled Christmas sweets in Italy

The authorities seized 1 775 Christmas sweets either mislabeled as artisanal (while being, in reality, industrial products) or missing any label or traceability documentation.

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Tampered imported honey in the USA

Between January 2021 and March 2022, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) collected and tested 144 imported honey samples for undeclared sweeteners added to the product. The adulteration rate was 10%, in 14 out of 114 samples. Stable Carbon Isotope Ratio Analysis (SCIRA) method was used.

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Counterfeited candies and snacks in the USA

The authorities seized almost 215 000 Euros worth of candies and snacks with packages resembling those of well-known brands. The products also contained tetrahydrocannabinol (THC).

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Expired eggs found in bakery products

3,960 expired and rotten eggs used to prepare bakery products were seized by the authorities in Pakistan.

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Fake juices seized in Brazil

The authorities seized 26.2 tons of juices with fake origin labelling.

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Fake drinks from famous brands seized with unhealthy ingredients

The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Food Safety Authority seized 5 000 liters of counterfeit drinks adulterated with unhealthy chemicals and counterfeit labels from famous brands.

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Unsafe beverages produced in Pakistan

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Food Safety Authority seized 1000 liters of counterfeit beverages produced with water and unsafe chemicals.

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Expired soft drinks falsified

The authorities seized 15 tons of soft drinks (a total value of 68 260 Euros). The expiry dates were erased with acetone and later falsified.

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Energy drinks with fake labels

The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Food Safety and Halal Food Authority seized 4 000 liters of substandard and fake energy drinks with labels from multinational companies.

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In another operation, additional 50 000 liters of counterfeit beverages from various multinational brands were seized as well.

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Adulterated honey in Pakistan

The authorities seized 4 000 liters of fake honey adulterated with sugars, chemicals, and wax.

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Clandestine honey production in Brazil

In operation Honeycomb', the authorities closed a clandestine production site where honey was adulterated with added sugar and other additives in unhygienic conditions (open sewage, animal feces, and garbage).

[Journal de Brasilia](#)

Honey-based products adulterated with FDA-approved drugs in the US

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) discovered four companies selling honey-based products adulterated with tadalafil and sildenafil, FDA-approved drugs used to treat men with erectile dysfunction, but not listed on the labels. Without medical supervision, tadalafil and sildenafil may pose a risk to consumer health.

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Adulterated honey in Germany

The German magazine Öko-Test tested several samples of honey sold in German supermarkets. 11 out of 19 honey jars (mostly organic) were adulterated with sugar syrup, pesticide residues, genetically modified pollen, or impurities.

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[Affidia Journal](#)

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Mislabelling of honey in Hungary

Some analyses on honey quality done by the National Hungarian Beekeepers found 28 out of 47 samples of honey from supermarkets reported a wrong botanical origin on the label.

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Factory in Bangladesh fined for producing adulterated molasses

The Department of National Consumer Rights Protection (DNCRP) fined a factory for producing molasses adulterated with semolina, sugar, colors and other ingredients without even respecting the basic hygiene rules.

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Factory that made fake honey

The National Gendarmerie closed a factory producing fake honey by mixing boiled water, powdered sugar, glucose, molasses, and syrup.

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[Journal du Cameroun](#)

The authorities seized non-alcoholic beverages

The authorities seized 14 348 liters of fruit vinegar (apple), 212 800 kg of concentrated orange juice, 14 300 kg of inverted sugar (sugar syrup), and 68 000 kg of concentrated apple juice, suspected of being adulterated with sugarcane.

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In Mexico breakfast cereals that do not fit legal requirements

The Mexican authorities seized 380 000 boxes of breakfast cereals for not complying with recent legislation aiming at protecting children. The boxes did not clearly state the nutritional values and



other legal requirements.

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[Taiwan News](#)

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[The San Diego Union Tribune](#)

Juice for kids seized in Pakistan

The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Food Safety and Halal Food Authority discarded 5 000 liters of juice for children adulterated with saccharine and harmful chemicals.

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