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Turkey Introduces New Definitions and Measurement Specifications for Food Additives, in line with European Union

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Turkey has introduced new definitions and measurement specifications for food additives, in line with the European Union's approach. These changes follow a series of other legislative-related developments, regarding <u>added vitamins</u>, as well as food labeling.

The Turkish Food Codex Regulation on Specifications of Food Additives ("**Regulation**") was published in Official Gazette number 30027 on 3 April 2017.

Significant definitions introduced by the Regulation include:

- CAS Number: Referring to the Chemical Abstracts Service registration number.
- EINECS Number: Referring to the European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances Number.
- International Unit: Referring to measurement unit for active ingredients.
- Molar Absorption Coefficient: Referring to the absorption coefficient for 1% concentrate, 1-cm-long solution.
- Molecular Weight (g/mol): A relative number defining total atomic weight in a molecule.

Please see this <u>link</u> for the full text of the Regulation (only available in Turkish).

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