

21.06 - Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included.

2106.10 - Protein concentrates and textured protein substances

2106.90 - Other

Provided that they are not covered by any other heading of the Nomenclature, this heading covers :

- (A) Preparations for use, either directly or after processing (such as cooking, dissolving or boiling in water, milk, etc.), for human consumption.
- (B) Preparations consisting wholly or partly of foodstuffs, used in the making of beverages or food preparations for human consumption. The heading includes preparations consisting of mixtures of chemicals (organic acids, calcium salts, etc.) with foodstuffs (flour, sugar, milk powder, etc.), for incorporation in food preparations either as ingredients or to improve some of their characteristics (appearance, keeping qualities, etc.) (see the General Explanatory Note to Chapter 38).

However, the heading **does not cover** enzymatic preparations containing foodstuffs (e.g., meat tenderisers consisting of a proteolytic enzyme with added dextrose or other foodstuffs). Such preparations fall in **heading 35.07 provided** that they are not covered by a more specific heading in the Nomenclature.

The heading includes, *inter alia* :

- (1) Powders for table creams, jellies, ice creams or similar preparations, whether or not sweetened.
Powders based on flour, meal, starch, malt extract or goods of headings 04.01 to 04.04, whether or not containing added cocoa, fall in **heading 18.06** or **19.01** according to their cocoa content (see the General Explanatory Note to Chapter 19). The other powders are classified in **heading 18.06** if they contain cocoa. Powders which have the character of flavoured or coloured sugars used as sweetener fall in **heading 17.01** or **17.02** as the case may be.
- (2) Flavouring powders for making beverages, whether or not sweetened, with a basis of sodium bicarbonate and glycyrrhizin or liquorice extract (sold as "Cocoa-powder").
- (3) Preparations based on butter or other fats or oils derived from milk and used, e.g., in bakers' wares.
- (4) Pastes based on sugar, containing added fat in a relatively large proportion and, sometimes, milk or nuts, not suitable for transformation directly into sugar confectionery but used as fillings, etc., for chocolates, fancy biscuits, pies, cakes, etc.
- (5) Natural honey enriched with bees' royal jelly.
- (6) Protein hydrolysates consisting mainly of a mixture of amino-acids and sodium chloride, used in food preparations (e.g., for flavouring); protein concentrates obtained by the elimination of certain constituents of defatted soya-bean flour, used for protein-enrichment of food preparations; soya-bean flour and other protein substances, textured. However, the heading **excludes** non-textured defatted soya-bean flour, whether or not fit for human consumption (**heading 23.04**) and protein isolates (**heading 35.04**).

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- (7) Non-alcoholic or alcoholic preparations (**not based** on odoriferous substances) of a kind used in the manufacture of various non-alcoholic or alcoholic beverages. These preparations can be obtained by compounding vegetable extracts of heading 13.02 with lactic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid, phosphoric acid, preserving agents, foaming agents, fruit juices, etc. The preparations contain (in whole or in part) the flavouring ingredients which characterize a particular beverage. As a result, the beverage in question can usually be obtained simply by diluting the preparation with water, wine or alcohol, with or without the addition, for example, of sugar or carbon dioxide gas. Some of these products are specially prepared for domestic use; they are also widely used in industry in order to avoid the unnecessary transport of large quantities of water, alcohol, etc. As presented, these preparations are not intended for consumption as beverages and thus can be distinguished from the beverages of Chapter 22.

The heading **excludes** preparations of a kind used for the manufacture of beverages, based on one or more odoriferous substances (**heading 33.02**).

- (8) Edible tablets with a basis of natural or artificial perfumes (e.g., vanillin).
- (9) Sweets, gums and the like (for diabetics, in particular) containing synthetic sweetening agents (e.g., sorbitol) instead of sugar.
- (10) Preparations (e.g., tablets) consisting of saccharin and a foodstuff, such as lactose, used for sweetening purposes.
- (11) Autolysed yeast and other yeast extracts, products obtained by the hydrolysis of yeast. These products cannot provoke fermentation and they have a high protein value. They are used mainly in the food industry (e.g., for the preparation of certain seasonings).
- (12) Preparations for the manufacture of lemonades or other beverages, consisting, for example, of :
- flavoured or coloured syrups, being sugar solutions with natural or artificial substances added to give them the flavour of, for example, certain fruits or plants (raspberry, blackcurrant, lemon, mint, etc.), whether or not containing added citric acid and preservatives;
 - syrup flavoured with an added compound preparation of this heading (see paragraph (7) above) containing, in particular, either cola essence and citric acid, coloured with caramelised sugar, or citric acid and essential oils of fruit (e.g., lemon or orange);
 - syrup flavoured with fruit juices which have been modified by the addition of constituents (citric acid, essential oil extracted from the fruit, etc.) in such quantities that the balance of the fruit juice constituents as found in the natural juice is clearly upset;
 - concentrated fruit juice with the addition of citric acid (in such a proportion that the total acid content is appreciably greater than that of the natural juice), essential oils of fruit, synthetic sweetening agents, etc.

Such preparations are intended to be consumed as beverages after simple dilution with water or after further treatment. Certain preparations of this kind are intended for adding to other food preparations.

- (13) Mixtures of ginseng extract with other ingredients (e.g., lactose or glucose) used for the preparation of ginseng “ tea ” or beverage.
- (14) Products consisting of a mixture of plants or parts of plants (including seeds or fruits) of different species or consisting of plants or parts of plants (including seeds or fruits) of a single or of different species mixed with other substances such as one or more plant extracts, which are not consumed as such, but which are of a kind used for making herbal infusions or herbal “ teas ”, (e.g., those having laxative, purgative, diuretic or carminative properties), including products which are claimed to offer relief from ailments or contribute to general health and well-being.

The heading **excludes** products where an infusion constitutes a therapeutic or prophylactic dose of an active ingredient specific to a particular ailment (**heading 30.03 or 30.04**).

The heading also **excludes** such products classifiable in **heading 08.13 or Chapter 9**.

- (15) Mixtures of plants, parts of plants, seeds or fruit (whole, cut, crushed, ground or powdered) of species falling in different Chapters (e.g., Chapters 7, 9, 11, 12) or of different species falling in heading 12.11, not consumed as such, but of a kind used either directly for flavouring beverages or for preparing extracts for the manufacture of beverages.

However, products of this type whose essential character is given by their content of species falling within Chapter 9 are **excluded (Chapter 9)**.

- (16) Preparations, often referred to as *food supplements*, based on extracts from plants, fruit concentrates, honey, fructose, etc. and containing added vitamins and sometimes minute quantities of iron compounds. These preparations are often put up in packagings with indications that they maintain general health or well-being. Similar preparations, however, intended for the prevention or treatment of diseases or ailments are **excluded (heading 30.03 or 30.04)**.
- (17) Preparations in the form of granules or powders consisting of sugar, flavouring or colouring matter (e.g., plant extracts or certain fruits or plants such as orange, blackcurrant, etc.), antioxidants (e.g., ascorbic acid or citric acid or both), preserving agents, etc., of a kind used for making beverages. However, preparations which have the character of sugar fall in **heading 17.01 or 17.02**, as the case may be.

The heading further **excludes** :

- (a) Preparations made from fruit, nuts or other edible parts of plants of heading 20.08, **provided** that the essential character of the preparations is given by such fruit, nuts or other edible parts of plants (**heading 20.08**).
- (b) Micro-organisms of heading 21.02 put up as food supplements for human consumption (**heading 21.02**).