hermetically sealed container prescribed by the Food Standards (Preserves) Order, 1953, shall have effect as respects all sales on and after 1st September, 1953;

(*b*) prescribes revised standards for fig and lemon jam and for rhubarb and ginger jam.

1953 No. 1310

The Food Standards (Saccharin Tablets) Order, 1953

Made - - - -	*24th August*, 1953
Laid before Parliament	*25th August*, 1953
Coming into Operation	*1st September*, 1953

The Minister of Food, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon him by Regulation 2 of the Defence (Sale of Food) Regulations, 1943(**a**) as continued in force by the Emergency Laws (Continuance) Order, 1952(**b**), and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

1. This Order shall come into operation on the 1st day of September, 1953, may be cited as the Food Standards (Saccharin Tablets) Order, 1953, and shall be construed as one with the Food Standards (General Provisions) Order, 1944(**c**) as amended(**d**).

2. Pursuant to Regulation 2 of the Defence (Sale of Food) Regulations, 1943, the Minister of Food hereby prescribes that the standard for regulating the composition of saccharin tablets and other sweetening tablets containing saccharin shall be as specified in Article 3 of this Order.

3. A saccharin tablet or other sweetening tablet containing saccharin

(i) shall contain not less than 0·18 grain and not more than 0·22 grain of saccharin or the equivalent weight of soluble saccharin;

(ii) may contain as excipient sodium bicarbonate with or without other suitable substances, the total amount of excipient not to exceed four times the maximum quantity of saccharin;

(iii) shall not contain more than 5 per cent. water-insoluble matter nor less bicarbonate than that required to render the saccharin completely soluble.

4. Proceedings in England and Northern Ireland for an infringement of Article 1 of the Food Standards (General Provisions) Order, 1944, as amended, in respect of saccharin tablets or other sweetening tablets containing saccharin may be brought by a Food and Drugs Authority without the consent of the Minister.

G. Lloyd-George,
Minister of Food.

Dated the 24th day of August, 1953.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1943/1553; 1945/1454: 1943 II, p. 70; 1945 II, p. 95.
(**b**) S.I. 1952/2095; 1952 I, p. 945. (**c**) S.R. & O. 1944/42; 1944 II, p. 505.
(**d**) S.R. & O. 1944/654; 1944 II, p. 508.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order, which should be read with the Food Standards (General Provisions) Order, 1944, as amended, revises the standard for Saccharin Tablets previously prescribed in the Saccharin Order, 1949 (which is now revoked), and applies the standard to all sweetening tablets containing saccharin.

1953 No. 1828

The Food Standards (Soft Drinks) Order, 1953

Made - - - -	*11th December,* 1953
Laid before Parliament	*14th December,* 1953
Coming into Operation	*20th December,* 1953

The Minister of Food, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon him by Regulation 2 of the Defence (Sale of Food) Regulations, 1943(**a**), as continued in force by the Emergency Laws (Continuance) Order, 1953(**b**), and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf, hereby orders as follows :—

Commencement and Citation

1. This Order shall come into operation on the 20th day of December, 1953, may be cited as the Food Standards (Soft Drinks) Order, 1953, and shall be construed as one with the Food Standards (General Provisions) Order, 1944(**c**) as amended(**d**).

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

" The Minister " means the Minister of Food.

" Catering business " includes the business or undertaking of an inn, public-house, hotel, restaurant, café, tea-shop, buffet, coffee-stall or any place of refreshment open to the public, or of a club, boarding-house, apartment-house, refreshment contractor, school feeding-centre, staff dining-room or canteen ; and the word " caterer " shall be construed accordingly.

" Fruit juice " means the clean, sound juice of the fruit or fruits from which it is obtained.

" Saccharin " means the substance defined as such in the British Pharmacopoeia, 1953.

" Sale " includes an offer for sale and exposure for sale, and the word " sold " shall be construed accordingly.

" Sale by retail " means a sale to a person buying otherwise than for the purpose of re-sale but does not include a sale to a manufacturer for the purposes of his manufacturing business or a sale to a caterer for the purposes of his catering business or a sale by a caterer for consumption

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(**a**) S.R. & O. 1943/1553; 1945/1454: 1943 II, p. 70; 1945 II, p. 95.
(**b**) S.I. 1953/1768, p. 652 above.
(**c**) S.R. & O. 1944/42; 1944 II, p. 505.
(**d**) S.R. & O. 1944/654; 1944 II, p. 508.