

## EFFA Guidance Document with Calculation Tool for the Proportional Reduction of Smoke Flavouring Primary Products

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### **Background – Union List of authorised smoke flavouring primary products**

With EFFA **Information Letter 13/23** we informed you about the vote by SCoFAH on the **List of authorised smoke flavouring primary products**. This IL contained a table with the conditions of use (maximum levels for all 10 primary products in the various food categories) and a Calculation Tool for the Proportional Reduction of Smoke Flavouring Primary Products. Attachment I to this IL was a table with the calculation of the 'maximum use level'.

With EFFA **Information Letter 13/24** we informed you about the publication of the **Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1321/2013** establishing the '**Union List of authorised smoke flavouring primary products**' in the *OJ*.

Note 2 in the Annex to the Implementing Regulation clarifies that the maximum use levels need to be reduced proportionally in case combinations of (primary) smoke flavourings are used in or on foodstuffs.

For this reason EFFA has developed the "*Calculation Tool*" which has been explained in **IL 13/23**.

### **Guidance Document – "Calculation Tool"**

In order to promote this *Calculation Tool* and to be able to share this algorithm with the entire membership and also all stakeholders (EU-Commission, Member States, Customers, Suppliers and other sectors), EFFA has now developed a more elaborate **Guidance Document** outlining this *Calculation Tool*.

In attachment to this Guidance Document is an Excel table with additional worked out examples: with this table the user can calculate the maximum amount of the compound flavouring in any foodstuff / food category of interest when the flavouring contains more than one (up to 10) smoke flavouring primary products.

The table also allows the customers to do the calculations for themselves if they blend/mix different "compound flavourings" that contain one or more smoke flavouring primary products.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact EFFA at [info@effa.eu](mailto:info@effa.eu) or your respective National Association.

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