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**FDA CIRCULAR  
NO. 2013-010-A**

**SUBJECT: Amendment to FDA Circular No. 2013 -010 Revised Guidelines for the Assessment of Microbiological Quality of Processed Foods**

In the interest of the service and for the proper guidance of the concerned the FDA Circular No. 2013-010 is hereby amended to include the phrase in **bold italics** in Table 1. MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCTS under the column TEST/MICROORGANISM Reference Criteria, and the corresponding footnote below the Table, to wit:

**TABLE 1. MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCTS**

<b>FOOD DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>TEST /MICROORGANISM Reference Criteria</b>	<b>n</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>m</b>	<b>M</b>
<b>Milk Powders:</b> (e.g. whole, nonfat or filled milk, buttermilk, whey & whey protein concentrate) (intended for children more than 36 months of age and adults)	Salmonella/25g, normal routine	10	0	0	
	for high risk population	30	0	0	
	<sup>1</sup> <b>Process hygiene indicators:</b> SPC/APC, cfu/g	5	2	5x10 <sup>3</sup>	5x10 <sup>4</sup>
	Enterobacteriaceae cfu/g	5	1	10	10 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Process hygiene criteria to be applied to the finished product (powder form) or at any other previous point that provides the information necessary for the purpose of verification. The criteria is intended to be used by the manufacturer as a means of ongoing assessment of their hygiene programs.

All other provisions of FDA Circular No. 2013-010 are still in effect.

  
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