

**ANNEX**

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					mg active substance/kg complete feedingstuff with 12 % moisture content				
Category: sensory additives. Functional group: colourants: (ii) substances which, when fed to animals, add colours to food of animal origin									
2a161g	Canthaxanthin	<i>Additive composition</i> Canthaxanthin  Triphenylphosphine oxide (TPPO) ≤ 100 mg/kg  Dichloromethane ≤ 600 mg/kg  <i>Characterisation of the active substance</i> — Canthaxanthin — C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>52</sub> O <sub>2</sub> — CAS number: 514-78-3 — Canthaxanthin, solid form, produced by chemical synthesis. — Purity: Assay: min. 96 %  Carotenoids other than canthaxanthin: not more than 5 % of total colouring matters.	Chickens for fattening and minor poultry species for fattening	-	-	25	1. Canthaxanthin may be placed on the market and used as an additive consisting of a preparation.	Poultry 15 mg canthaxanthin /kg liver (wet tissue) and 2,5 mg canthaxanthin /kg skin/fat (wet tissue)	23.9.2025
			Laying poultry and poultry reared for laying	-	-	8	2.The mixture of this additive with other additives containing canthaxanthin and other carotenoids is allowed provided that the total concentration of the mixture does not exceed 80 mg total carotenoids/kg of complete feed.  3.For users of the additive and premixtures, feed business operators shall establish operational procedures and organisational measures	Laying poultry 30 mg canthaxanthin /kg egg yolk (wet tissue)	

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