

**19 March 2025**  
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## **Administrative Assessment Report – Application A1326**

Addition of phytosterols, phytostanols or their esters as a novel food to bread and bread products

### **1. Application details**

<b>Date received:</b> 20 January 2025		
<b>Date due for completion of administrative assessment:</b> 12 February 2025		
<b>Date completed:</b> 7 February 2025		
<b>Applicant:</b> George Weston Foods Limited trading as Tip Top Bakeries		<b>Potentially affected</b> Schedule 25 – Permitted novel foods
<b>Brief description of application:</b> To seek approval for the addition of phytosterols, phytostanols or their esters as a novel food to bread and bread products.		
<b>Procedure:</b> General Level 4	<b>Maximum total variable hours:</b> 520 hours  <b>Reasons why:</b> Involves a toxicological, nutritional, food technology and dietary modelling assessment of average complexity	<b>Estimated start date for assessment:</b> February 2026

### **2. Decision**

<b>Application accepted</b>
<b>Decision Date:</b> 7 February 2025

### 3. Consultation & assessment timeframe

<b>Proposed length of public consultation periods:</b>
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6 weeks

<b>Proposed timeframe for assessment</b>
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Notification of new application: 21 March 2025

Commence assessment (clock start)	mid-February 202
Public comment	early July to mid August 2026
Board to consider approval	mid-November 2026
Notification to Food Ministers' Meeting (FMM)	end-November 2026
Anticipated gazettal if no review requested	mid-February 2027