Does the Council of Europe’s guidance on metals and alloys used in food contact materials and articles apply to enamelled cookware?

Answer:

No, the Council of Europe guide applies to articles made from metals and alloys, and to metals released from such articles and transferred to food. Enamel coatings are not within the scope of the guide. However, when a metal released from an enamel-coated utensil exceeds the corresponding specific release limit, it is not usually possible to determine whether the metal originated from the enamel coating or the base metal since the materials cannot easily be separated before testing. In this case, the entire article would be deemed to be non-compliant with the guide.