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PART A: PROPOSED REVISION TO THE LABELLING PROVISION FOR NON-RETAIL CONTAINERS IN THE RELEVANT CCFO STANDARDS

(Prepared by the Codex Secretariat in consultation with CCFO Secretariat)

	Title	Reference number	Section	Current text to be revised	Proposed new text
1	<i>Standard for Edible Fats and Oils not Covered by Individual Standards</i>	CXS 19-1981	6.2	Labelling of non-retail containers Information on the above labelling requirements shall be given either on the container or in accompanying documents,	"The labelling of non-retail containers should be in accordance with the <i>General Standard for the Labelling of Non-Retail Containers of Foods</i> (CXS 346-2021)."
2	<i>Standard for Olive Oils and Olive Pomace Oils</i>	CXS 33 -1981	7.2	except that the name of the food, lot identification and the name and address of the manufacturer or packer shall appear on the container.	
3	<i>Standard for Named Vegetable Oils</i>	CXS 210 -1999	7.2	However, lot identification and the name and address of the manufacturer or packer may be replaced by an identification mark, provided that such a mark is clearly identifiable with the accompanying documents.	
4	<i>Standard for Named Animal Fats</i>	CXS 211 -1999	7.2		
5	<i>Standard for Fat Spreads and Blended Spreads</i>	CXS 256 -1999	7.2		
6	<i>Standard for Fish Oils</i>	CXS 329 -2017	7.2 Paragraphs 1 & 2		
			7.2 Paragraph 3	For crude fish oils and crude fish liver oils the label shall indicate that these oils are intended for human consumption only after they have undergone further processing.	Paragraph 3 of 7.2 is to be retained without any changes.

PART B: STANDARD FOR NAMED VEGETABLE OILS (CXS 210-1999): METHOD FOR THE DETERMINATION OF GAMMA ORYZANOL IN RICE BRAN OIL

(Prepared by the Codex Secretariat)

Background

As part of its ongoing work on the review of methods in the *Recommended Methods of Analysis and Sampling* (CXS 234-1999), CCMAS reviewed methods of analysis for provisions in standards for fats and oils, barring olive oils. CAC46 adopted / revoked methods as endorsed by CCMAS (in consultation with CCFO).

Following this decision, the Codex Secretariat is in the process of updating CXS 234-1999 and as a consequence is removing all methods from the corresponding commodity standards, i.e. replacing the methods with a general reference to CXS 234-1999 as per the Procedural Manual (and in line with the decision that CXS 234 will be the single reference for method of analysis in Codex).

In doing this update to the fats and oils commodity Standards, the Secretariat has discovered that the method for gamma oryzanol in rice bran oil in the *Standard for Named Vegetable Oils* (CXS 210-1999) is not covered by CXS 234 nor was it reviewed by CCMAS in its review process.

The aforementioned method was endorsed by CCMAS in 2007 as a Type IV method (PARA. 79, ALINORM 07/30/23) and it was included in the commodity standard [CXS 210-1999](#) (Appendix, Section 5) when CCFO finalized the Standard in 2009 and advanced it to CAC for adoption at Step 8.

Recommendation

In view of the need to replace methods in commodity standards with the general reference to CXS, the Secretariat will need confirmation that the method for determination for gamma oryzanol in rice bran oil can be transferred to CXS 234.

The Secretariat is therefore advising that CCFO consider whether this method is still fit for purpose and if so, that CCMAS be requested to include it in CXS 234; or that an alternative method is proposed for endorsement by CCMAS and inclusion in CXS 234.