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## AMENDMENTS TO CODEX STANDARDS AND RELATED TEXTS

(Prepared by the Secretariat)

**0 INTRODUCTION**

The Commission keeps under review the revision of Codex standards and related texts. The procedure for revision is, *mutatis mutandis*, that laid down for the elaboration of Codex standards, except that the Commission may decide to omit any other step or steps of that Procedure where, in its opinion, an amendment proposed by a Codex Committee is either of an editorial nature or of a substantive nature but consequential to provisions in similar standards adopted by the Commission at Step 8.<sup>1</sup>

In accordance with the *Guide to the Procedure for the Amendment and Revision of Codex Standards and Related Texts*<sup>2</sup>, the Secretariat keeps under review all Codex standards and related texts elaborated by Codex subsidiary bodies that have been abolished or dissolved, or by Codex committees that have been adjourned *sine die*, and determines the need for any amendments, in particular those arising from decisions of the Commission. If the need for amendments of an editorial nature is identified then the Secretariat prepares proposed amendments for consideration and adoption by the Commission.

The Commission has the final authority to determine whether a proposal made constitutes an amendment or a revision, and whether an amendment proposed is of an editorial or substantive nature. The Commission decides whether the amendment or revision of a standard is necessary.

In the case of an amendment of an editorial nature, it will be open to the Commission to adopt the amendment at Step 8 of the Uniform Procedure. In the case of an amendment proposed and agreed upon by a subsidiary body, it will also be open to the Commission to adopt the amendment at Step 5 of the Uniform Procedure. In other cases, if the Commission approves the proposal as new work, the approved new work will be referred for consideration to the appropriate subsidiary body, if such body is still in existence. If such body is not in existence, the Commission will determine how best to deal with the new work.

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<sup>1</sup> Introduction of the Procedures for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts, Procedural Manual.

<sup>2</sup> Part 5 of the Procedures for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts, Procedural Manual.

## 1 CODEX COMMITTEE ON CONTAMINANTS IN FOODS<sup>3</sup>

Delete the entries for dioxins in Schedule I: Index of contaminants and in Schedule I: Others.

Justification: As no ML has been established for this compound this is in line with the decision not to list compounds without MLs in the GSCTFF.

In the column “*notes/remarks for Codex Alimentarius*” in Schedule I delete “*for Codex Alimentarius*”.

## 2 CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD LABELLING

### Editorial amendment to the *Guidelines on Nutrition and Health Claims (CAC/GL 23-1997)* – table for conditions for nutrient contents<sup>4</sup>

In the table of conditions for nutrient contents amend the footnote reference and footnote text of the footnote for saturated fats and cholesterol:

COMPONENT	CLAIM	CONDITIONS (not more than)
Saturated Fat*	Low	1.5 g per 100 g (solids) 0.75 g per 100 ml (liquids) and 10% of energy
	Free	0.1 g per 100 g (solids) 0.1 g per 100 ml (liquids)
Cholesterol*	Low	0.02 g per 100 g (solids) 0.01 g per 100 ml (liquids)
	Free	0.005 g per 100 g (solids) 0.005 g per 100 ml (liquids) and, for both claims, less than: 1.5 g saturated fat per 100 g (solids) 0.75 g saturated fat per 100 ml (liquids) and 10% of energy of saturated fat

\* In the case of the claims for saturated fat and cholesterol “low in saturated fat”, trans fatty acids should be taken into account where applicable. ~~This provision consequentially applies to foods claimed to be “low in cholesterol” and “cholesterol free”.~~

<sup>3</sup> ALINORM 10/33/41, para 121

<sup>4</sup> ALINORM 10/33/22 para. 111 and Appendix VI

### 3. CODEX COMMITTEE ON PESTICIDE RESIDUES<sup>5</sup>

#### Recommended methods of sampling for the determination of pesticide residues for compliance with MRLs (CAC/GL 33-1999)

#### 4. Criteria for determining compliance

4.1 Analytical results must be derived from one or more laboratory samples taken from the lot and received in a fit state for analysis. The results must be supported by acceptable quality control data, e.g. for instrument calibration and pesticide recovery - refer to ~~Codex Alimentarius, Volume 2, Section 4.2, *Guidelines on good laboratory practice in pesticide residue analysis (CAC/GL 40-1993)*~~. Results should not be corrected for recovery. Where a residue is found to exceed an MRL, its identity should be confirmed and its concentration must be verified by analysis of one or more additional analytical portions derived from the original laboratory sample(s).

#### References

5. ~~Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme (1993). *Guidelines on Portion of commodities to which Codex Maximum Residue Limits apply and which is analyzed (CAC/GL 41-1993)*. Codex Alimentarius, Volume 2, Section 4.1, 389-404. FAO Rome. ISBN: 92-5-103271-8.~~

6. ~~Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme (1993). *Codex classification of foods and animal feeds (CAC/MISC 4-1993)*. Codex Alimentarius, Volume 2, Section 2, 147-366. FAO Rome. ISBN: 92-5-103271-8.~~

#### Guidelines on Good Laboratory Practice in Pesticide Residue Analysis (CAC/GL 40-1993, Rev.1-2003)

#### Foreword

- 1 Recommended Method of Sampling for the Determination of Pesticide Residues (CAC/GL 33-1999, ~~Volume 2A, Part 1, Second Edition, Rome, 2000~~).
- 2 Portion of Commodities to which Codex Maximum Residue Limits Apply and which is analysed (~~CAC/GL 41-1993~~) (~~CAC/GL 33-1999, Volume 2A, Part 1, Second Edition, Rome, 2000~~).
- 3 List of Codex Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides (*Maximum residue limits for pesticide residues as adopted by the Codex Alimentarius Commission are available at: <http://www.codexalimentarius.net>* ~~Codex Alimentarius, Volume Two, Pesticide Residues in Food, Rome, 1993~~.)
- 4 Recommended Methods of Analysis of Pesticide Residues (~~CODEX STAN 229-1993 CAC/GL 33-1999, Volume 2A, Part 1, Second Edition, Rome, 2000~~).
- 5 Codex Classification of Food and Animal Feed (~~CAC/MISC 4-1993 Codex Alimentarius, Volume Two, Pesticide Residues in Food, Rome, 1993~~).

Footnote 2 to Section 4.4.4.1 (Validation of methods): ~~Codex Classification of Food and Animal Feed (CAC/MISC 4-1993) Codex Alimentarius, Volume 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Pesticide Residues in Food, pp. 147-365, FAO, 1993~~

Footnote 6 to Commodity Class (Table 5. Representative commodities/samples for validation of analytical procedures for pesticide residues): ~~Codex Classification of Food and Animal Feed (CAC/MISC 4-1993) Codex Alimentarius, Volume 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Pesticide Residues in Food, pp. 147-365, FAO, 1993~~

#### Portion of Commodities to which Codex MRLs apply and which is analyzed (CAC/GL 41-1993)

Footnotes 1 and 2: For milk and milk products regarding fat soluble pesticides see *Recommended Methods of Sampling for the Determination of Pesticide Residues for compliance with MRLs (CAC/GL 33-1999) and also Report of the JMPR 2004, "Section 2.7 Revisited: MRLs for fat-soluble pesticides in milk and milk products", pages 24-25. -Section 1 of this Volume.*

<sup>5</sup> ALINORM 10/33/24, para 188