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**TO:** Codex Contact Points  
Contact Points of international organizations having observer status with Codex

**FROM:** Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,  
Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

**SUBJECT:** **Request for comments on methods of analysis for inclusion in the *Recommended Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CXS 234-1999)***

**DEADLINE:** **15 June 2018**

## BACKGROUND:

1. See [REP 18/MAS](#), para. 22 and Appendix II, Part I.

## REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

2. Codex members and observers are invited to submit their comments on the methods of analysis as endorsed by CCMAS, which is uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): <https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/>, as per the guidance below. Comments should address whether the methods are ready for adoption or not; and if not, provide the rationale and proposals to facilitate adoption. Comments should be provided in conformity with the *Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts (Part 3 – Uniform Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts, Procedural Manual of the Codex Alimentarius Commission*. Comments should be provided as per the general guidance below.

## GENERAL GUIDANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS

3. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers using the OCS.
4. Contact Points of Codex members and observers may login to the OCS and access the document open for comments by selecting “Enter” in the “My reviews” page, available after login to the system.
5. Contact Points of Codex members and observers organizations are requested to provide general comments of substantive nature.. Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can be found in the OCS [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#).
6. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can be found at the following link: <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/>.
7. For questions on the OCS, please contact [Codex-OCS@fao.org](mailto:Codex-OCS@fao.org).