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**CL 2021/3/OCS-NFSDU**  
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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 at Step 6 on the draft revision of the Standard for Follow-Formula: Section B: DRINK/PRODUCT FOR YOUNG CHILDREN WITH ADDED NUTRIENTS OR DRINK FOR YOUNG CHILDREN: scope, definition and labelling**

**DEADLINE:** **31 March 2021 (section 2.1.1) / 30 June 2021(rest of the text)**

## BACKGROUND

1. For background information, please refer to document REP20/NFSDU, Appendix IV. <sup>1</sup>
2. CCNFSDU41 advanced the proposed draft revision of the Standard for Follow-up Formula: Section B (scope, definition and labelling) to CAC43 for adoption at Step 5. <sup>2</sup>
3. CAC43 adopted the text at Step 5 and advanced it to Step 6 for comments. <sup>3</sup>
4. CCNFSDU41 also agreed that an EWG led by New Zealand and assisted by France and Indonesia would:
  - Finalise the definition of 'Drink/Product for young children with added nutrients' and 'Drink for young children', by reviewing the outstanding text '[which may contribute to the nutritional needs of young children]' <sup>4</sup>;
  - Consider the linkages and impact between the definition and name for 'Drink/Product for young children with added nutrients' and 'Drink for young children.'
5. The EWG has considered section 2.1.1 in their discussions and a full report will be made available prior to the next session of the Committee for comments. However, **additional** comments submitted specifically on 2.1.1 in response to this CL will be forwarded to the EWG for their further consideration and inclusion in their report.
6. All other comments on Section B will be compiled and made available for consideration by CCNFSDU42 together with the comments in response to the EWG report.

## REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

7. Codex members and observers are invited to submit comments on the draft Section B: scope, definition and labelling which are uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): <https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/>, as per the guidance below.
8. In submitting comments on the above, Codex members and observers are invited to consider the discussions and decisions made at the CCNFSDU41 <sup>5</sup>.

## GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS

9. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers using the OCS.
10. 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.
11. Contact Points of Codex members and observers organizations are requested to provide proposed changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific paragraph (under the categories: editorial, substantive, technical and translation) and/or at the document level (general comments or summary

<sup>1</sup> Full discussion is available in REP20/NFSDU, paras 50 - 85

<sup>2</sup> REP20/NFSDU, para. 85

<sup>3</sup> REP20/CAC, paras 84 - 89

<sup>4</sup> REP20/NFSDU, Appendix IV, section 2.1.1

<sup>5</sup> REP20/NFSDU, paras 50 - 85

comments). Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can be found in the OCS [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#).

12. 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/>.
13. For questions on the OCS, please contact [Codex-OCS@fao.org](mailto:Codex-OCS@fao.org).