



POSITION TITLE:	Food Standards Officer	GRADE LEVEL:	P-3
		DUTY STATION:	Rome
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Secretariat Codex Alimentarius Commission	DURATION *:	Fixed-Term: 3 years
	Nutrition and Consumer Protection Division, AGN	POST CODE/N°:	Unidentified
	Agriculture & Consumer Protection Department, AG	CCOG CODE:	

Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the general direction of the Secretary, Codex Alimentarius Commission, the incumbent will assist in the administration and execution of scientific and technical aspects of the Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme within the Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission (AGNC). In particular, the incumbent will:

- act as Secretary or Assistant Secretary of various technical and regional subsidiary bodies of the Commission concerned with the development of food standards and related texts for the protection of consumers' health and the assurance of fair practices in food trade, including the preparation of agendas, technical and other working documents, and reports of the session;
- prepare the final standards drafted by these bodies for publication following their adoption by the Commission;
- participate in the preparation of technical papers and reports for the Commission and its Executive Committee;
- attend, on behalf of the Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme, meetings of other bodies or organizations engaged in food standards and related work;
- participate in the work of international expert bodies convened to provide scientific or technical advice to the Commission;
- provide, on the request of governments or other interested parties, information concerning food standards and related matters;
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Food Science, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Veterinary or Public Health, or related subject
- Five years of relevant experience in the development and application of food standards and food control programmes at national, regional or international level
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese or Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Scope and depth of experience in the development and application of food standards and food control programmes, in relation to food safety and quality, at national, regional or international level
- Extent of overall understanding of the work of the Codex Alimentarius Commission
- Quality of oral communication skills in English
- Demonstrated ability to analyse technical information and prepare clear and concise reports in English
- Demonstrated ability in organizing and coordinating intergovernmental meetings
- Extent of language skills

Please note that all candidates should possess computer/word processing skills and should be capable of working with people of different national and cultural backgrounds.

* **The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments**

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TO APPLY: Carefully read and follow the Guidelines to applicants

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