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## JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD LABELLING

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#### CONSIDERATION OF LABELLING PROVISIONS IN DRAFT CODEX STANDARDS

# COMMITTEE ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND CONTAMINANTS<sup>1</sup>

# DRAFT REVISED CODEX GENERAL STANDARD FOR IRRADIATED FOODS (At Step 8)

#### 6. LABELLING

## 6.1 Inventory Control

For irradiated foods, whether prepackaged or not, the relevant shipping documents shall give appropriate information to identify the registered facility which has irradiated the food, the date(s) of treatment, irradiation dose and lot identification.

## 6.2 Prepackaged Foods Intended for Direct Consumption

The labelling of prepackaged irradiated foods should indicate the treatment and in all aspects should be in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Codex General Standard for the Labelling of Prepackaged Foods (CODEX STAN 1-1985, Rev.2-1999).

## 6.3 Foods in Bulk Containers

The declaration of the fact of irradiation should be made clear on the relevant shipping documents. In the case of products sold in bulk to the ultimate consumer, the international logo and the words "irradiated" or "treated with ionizing radiation" should appear together with the name of the product on the container in which products are placed.

#### 6.4 Post Irradiation Verification

When required and where applicable, analytical methods for the detection of irradiated foods may be used to enforce authorization and labeling requirements. The analytical methods used should be those adopted by the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

<sup>1</sup> ALINORM 03/12A, Appendix V

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