



## **JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME**

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#### **CONSIDERATION OF LABELLING PROVISIONS IN DRAFT CODEX STANDARDS (CCPFV, CCASIA, CCLAC)**

#### **A. CODEX COMMITTEE ON PROCESSED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES**

##### **NOTES**

- The Annex on mushrooms is for inclusion in the Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables, therefore the few labelling provisions are in addition to those labelling provisions of the General Standard for Canned Vegetables already adopted by the 2009 CAC and endorsed by CCFL.
- The Standard for Canned Bamboo Shoots: Section 8.2 on labelling of non-retail containers is standardized provision applying across Codex commodity standards hence Codex standards for processed fruits and vegetables. The remaining sections were slightly amended to incorporate other names but it is basically the same text of the Standard adopted in the 2003 CAC with the labelling provisions endorsed by CCFL.
- Codex Standard for Grated Desiccated Coconut: This Standard was revised in its entirety so the labelling section. Section 9.2 on labelling of non-retail containers is the same situation as for Section 8.2 in the Standard for Canned Bamboo Shoots.

#### **PROPOSED DRAFT CODEX STANDARD FOR DESICCATED COCONUT (Revision of CODEX STAN 177-1991)(At Steps 5/8) (REP11/PFV, Appendix III)**

##### **9. LABELLING**

In addition to the requirements of the Codex General Standard for the Labelling of Pre-packaged Foods (CODEX STAN 1-1985), the following specific provisions apply:

##### **9.1 Name of the Product**

9.1.1 The name of the product shall be "Desiccated Coconut" or "Reduced Oil Desiccated Coconut" preceded or followed by the common or ordinary name legally accepted in the country of retail sale.

9.1.2 The name should indicate the oil content of the product in accordance with the description contained in Section 3.2.4(c).

9.1.3 When applicable, the name may indicate the sizing of the product in accordance with the descriptions contained in Section 2.2.

##### **9.2 Labelling of Non-Retail Containers**

Information for non-retail containers shall be given either on the container or in accompanying documents, except that the name of the product, lot identification, and the name and address of the manufacturer, packer, distributor or importer, as well as storage instructions, shall appear on the container. However, lot identification, and the name and address of the manufacturer, packer, distributor or importer may be replaced by an identification mark, provided that such a mark is clearly identifiable with the accompanying documents.

**PROPOSED DRAFT ANNEX ON CERTAIN MUSHROOMS (revision of CODEX STAN 55-1981)  
For inclusion in the Codex Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables (CODEX STAN 297-2009)**

**(REP11/PFV, Appendix IV)**

**5. LABELLING**

**5.1 Name of the Product**

5.1.1 The following styles shall be included as part of the name or in close proximity to the name: "Buttons", "Sliced Buttons", "Whole", "Sliced" or "Sliced Whole", "Random Sliced", "Quarters", "Stems and Pieces (Cut)", "Grilling", as appropriate.

5.1.2 A declaration of any special sauce which characterizes the product, e.g. "With X" or "In X" when appropriate. If the declaration is "With (or "In") Butter Sauce", the fat used shall only be butter fat.

**PROPOSED DRAFT CODEX STANDARD FOR CANNED BAMBOO SHOOTS  
(Revision of CODEX STAN 241-2003) (At Steps 5/8) (REP11/PFV, Appendix IV)**

**8. LABELLING**

The product covered by the provisions of this Standard shall be labelled in accordance with the Codex General Standard for the Labelling of Prepackaged Foods (CODEX STAN 1-1985). In addition, the following specific provisions apply:

**8.1 Name of the Product**

8.1.1 The name of the product shall be "Bamboo Shoots" or "Boiled Bamboo Shoots" or "Fermented Bamboo Shoots". The style, as appropriate, shall be declared as part of the name.

8.1.2 **Other styles** - If the product is produced in accordance with the other styles provision (Section 2.3.6), the label should contain in close proximity to the name of the product such additional words or phrases that will avoid misleading or confusing the consumer.

8.1.3 If an added ingredient, as defined in Section 3.1.2.2, alters the flavour characteristic of the product, the name of the food shall be accompanied by the term "flavoured with X" or "X flavoured" as appropriate.

**8.2 Labelling of Non-Retail Containers**

Information for non-retail containers shall be given either on the container or in accompanying documents, except that the name of the product, lot identification, and the name and address of the manufacturer, packer, distributor or importer, as well as storage instructions, shall appear on the container. However, lot identification, and the name and address of the manufacturer, packer, distributor or importer may be replaced by an identification mark, provided that such a mark is clearly identifiable with the accompanying documents.

**B. FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Asia**

**PROPOSED DRAFT REGIONAL STANDARD FOR CHILI SAUCE (At Steps 5/8)  
(REP11/ASIA Appendix II)**

**8. LABELLING**

The product covered by the provisions of this Standard shall be labelled in accordance with the latest edition of the Codex *General Standard for the Labelling of Prepackaged Foods* (CODEX STAN 1-1985). In addition, the following specific provisions apply:

**8.1 Name of the product**

8.1.1 The name of the product shall be "Chili sauce", "Sweet chili sauce" or other names in accordance with the composition and the law and custom of the country in which the product is sold and in the manner not to mislead the consumer.

8.1.2 The level of chili pungency (heat value) may be declared in conjunction with, or in close proximity to, the name of the product, in accordance with the agreement between trading partners and in the manner not to mislead the consumer, and must be accepted by or be acceptable to competent authorities of the country where the product is sold.

8.1.3 If other permitted ingredients, as defined in Section 3.1.2, alters the flavour characteristic of the product, the name of the product shall be accompanied by the term "flavoured with X" or "X flavoured" as appropriate.

## 8.2 Labelling of non-retail containers

Information for non-retail containers shall be given either on the container or in accompanying documents, except that the name of the product, lot identification, and the name and address of the manufacturer, packer, distributor or importer, as well as storage instructions shall appear on the container. However, lot identification, and the name and address of the manufacturer, packer, distributor or importer may be replaced by an identification mark, provided that such a mark is clearly identifiable with the accompanying documents.

## C. FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean

**NOTE:** The labelling provisions in both standards follows the format applying across Codex standards for fresh fruits and vegetables with the very few insertions in sections 6.1.1, 6.2.2 & 6.2.4 which provides for the specific name or specific characteristics of the produce covered by the Standard. The rest of the labelling section is standardized text applying throughout CCFFV standards.

## PROPOSED DRAFT REGIONAL STANDARD FOR CULANTRO COYOTE (At Steps 5/8) (REP11/LAC Appendix II)

### 6. MARKING OR LABELLING

#### 6.1 Consumer Packages

In addition to the requirements of the Codex General Standard for the Labelling of Prepackaged Foods (CODEX STAN 1-1985), the following specific provisions apply:

##### 6.1.1 Nature of Produce

If the produce is not visible from the outside, each package shall be labelled as to the name of the produce "Culantro Coyote", or its name in the country of marketing, and may be labelled as to name of the variety and/or commercial type, specifying the form of presentation (individual or in bunches).

#### 6.2 Non-retail Containers

Each package must bear the following particulars, in letters grouped on the same side, legibly and indelibly marked, and visible from the outside, or in the documents accompanying the shipment.

##### 6.2.1 Identification

Name and address of exporter, packer and/or dispatcher. Identification code (optional)\*.

##### 6.2.2 Nature of Produce

Name of the produce "Culantro Coyote", or its name in the country of marketing, if the contents are not visible from the outside. Name of the variety and/or commercial type (optional).

##### 6.2.3 Origin of Produce

Country of origin and, optionally, district where grown or national, regional or local place name.

##### 6.2.4 Commercial Identification

- Class;
- Net weight.

##### 6.2.5 Official Inspection Mark (optional)

\* The national legislation of a number of countries requires the explicit declaration of the name and address. However, in the case where a code mark is used, the reference "packer and/or dispatcher (or equivalent abbreviations)" has to be indicated in close connection with the code mark.

**PROPOSED DRAFT REGIONAL STANDARD FOR Lucuma (At Steps 5/8)  
(REP11/LAC Appendix III)**

**6. MARKING OR LABELLING**

**6.1 Consumer Packages**

In addition to the requirements of the Codex General Standard for the Labelling of Pre-packaged Foods (CODEX STAN 1-1985), the following specific provisions apply:

**6.1.1 Nature of Produce**

If the produce is not visible from the outside, each package shall be labelled as to the name of the produce, and may be labelled as to name of the variety.

**6.2 Non-retail Containers**

Each package must bear the following particulars, in letters grouped on the same side, legibly and indelibly marked, and visible from the outside, or in the documents accompanying the shipment.

**6.2.1 Identification**

Name and address of exporter, packer and/or dispatcher. Identification code (optional)\*.

**6.2.2 Nature of Produce**

Name of the produce "Lucuma" if the contents are not visible from the outside. Name of the variety (optional).

**6.2.3 Origin of Produce**

Country of origin and, optionally, district where grown or national, regional or local place name.

**6.2.4 Commercial Identification**

- Class;
- Size (size code or maximum and minimum diameter in millimetres);
- Net weight;
- Lot number.

**6.2.5 Official Inspection Mark (optional)**

\* The national legislation of a number of countries requires the explicit declaration of the name and address. However, in the case where a code mark is used, the reference "packer and/or dispatcher (or equivalent abbreviations)" has to be indicated in close connection with the code mark.