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METHODS OF ANALYSIS AND SAMPLING FOR MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS

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NEW ZEALAND

The New Zealand Government would like to make the following comments:

The existing Codex methods of analysis and sampling for milk and milk products should be reviewed to ensure they are up to date. Most Codex methods are made by reference to documents published by other organisations. These documents may be revised, but there is no automatic mechanism for updating the Codex references. New Zealand suggests that the IDF/ISO/AOAC Working Group's report to CCMMP should include recommendations for updating references.

Sampling plans should be specified for criteria listed in standards for milk products, as detailed in the *Procedural Manual*, pages 72-74 and 86-88. We suggest that the IDF/ISO/AOAC Working Group's report to CCMMP should include recommendations for sampling plans appropriate to the criteria in the standards under consideration.

New Zealand also suggests that the Type II classification of the Röse Gottlieb method for milkfat determination in whey powders should be changed to Type I.