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AMENDMENTS TO CODEX STANDARDS AND RELATED TEXTS

BACKGROUND

In this document the Codex Secretariat presents a number of amendments to Codex standards and related texts to improve their editorial consistency, correctness, legibility and clarity. They may be of a horizontal nature following earlier decisions of the Commission or affect individual texts only due to consequential amendments made to similar or horizontal texts.

GUIDELINES ON NUTRITION LABELLING (CAC/GL 2-1985)

CCNFSDU38 noted the existing inconsistencies in the *Guidelines on Nutrition Labelling (CAC/GL 2-1985)* arising out of further amendment to the definition of RASB in section 2 definitions of the annex on *General Principles for Establishing Nutrient Reference Values for the General Population* by CAC39.^{1,2}

The following amendments are proposed:

2. Definitions

Daily intake reference values as used in these principles refer to reference nutrient intake values provided by FAO/WHO or ~~other~~ recognized authoritative scientific bodies that may(e.g. recommendations for a specified age range).

3.1 Selection of suitable data sources to establish NRVs

Relevant daily intake reference values that reflect recent independent review of the science, from recognized authoritative scientific bodies ~~other than FAO/WHO~~ could also be taken into consideration.

3.2.2 Selection on Nutrients and Appropriate Basis for NRVs-NCD

3rd paragraph

Daily intake reference values from FAO/WHO or ~~other~~ recognized authoritative scientific bodies that may be considered for NRVs-NCD..... energy intake.

3.3 Consideration of Daily Intake Reference Values for Upper Levels

The establishment of general population NRVs should also take into account daily intake reference values for upper levels established by FAO/WHO or ~~other~~ recognized authoritative scientific bodies where applicable (e.g. upper level of intake, acceptable macronutrient distribution range).

STANDARD FOR CANNED BABY FOODS (CODEX STAN 73-1981)

5. Contaminants

Replace the text in 5.1 and 5.2 with the text from the Procedural Manual for consistency with the approach taken for this section in Codex standards.

¹ REP17/NFSDU, para 12(ii)

² REP16/CAC, para. 45

6. Hygiene

Replace the existing text in 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3 with the text from the Procedural Manual for consistency with the approach taken for this section in Codex standards, and to delete reference to the revoked *Code of Hygienic Practice for Foods for Infants and Young Children* (CAC/RP 21-1979).

CLASSIFICATION OF FOOD AND FEED (CAC/MISC 4-1989): FRUIT COMMODITY GROUPS

CCPR49 agreed to forward consequential amendments to the fruit commodity groups of the *Classification of Food and Feed* related to the inclusion of the words “**in subgroup of**” to the description of all subgroups to CAC40 for adoption following the decision taken on the approach to the revision of commodity groups in the Classification at CCPR49 (April 2017).³

STANDARD FOR EDIBLE FATS AND OILS NOT COVERED BY INDIVIDUAL STANDARDS (CODEX STAN 19-1981)

CAC40 will consider the adoption of the draft Standard for Fish Oils under Agenda item 5⁴. If the Standard for Fish Oils is adopted, the *Standard for Edible fats and oils not covered by individual standards* will no longer be applicable to fish oils. The **scope** of the *Standard for edible fats and oils not covered by individual standards* should therefore indicate that the products covered by the Standard for Fish oils are exempted from the Standard.

Proposal:

Scope

The Standard does not apply to any oil or fat which is covered by one of the following:

- The Standard for Named Animal Fats;
- The Standard for Named Vegetable Oils;
- The Standard for Olive Oils and Olive Pomace Oils;
- **The Standard for Fish Oils**

Recommendation

The Commission is invited to adopt the abovementioned editorial amendments.

³ REP17/PR, paras 112, 115 and Appendix IX

⁴ CX/CAC 17/40/4