

CODEx ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION



Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations



World Health
Organization

E

Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153 Rome, Italy - Tel: (+39) 06 57051 - E-mail: codex@fao.org - www.codexalimentarius.org

REP/CPL10
March 2025

SUMMARY OF THE TENTH SESSION OF THE CODEx COMMITTEE ON CEREALS, PULSES AND LEGUMES (CCCPL10)

Working by correspondence

(Prepared by Codex Secretariat)

CCCPL was adjourned *sine die* after its ninth session CCCPL9 (1994). The thirty-eighth session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC38) (2015) reactivated CCCPL to work by correspondence to develop a standard for quinoa.

During the period 2015 to 2020 when CCCPL was active its work by correspondence, was undertaken via the Codex online platform, with regular reports on progress provided directly to CAC. These reports were published as annexes to Circular Letters (CLs), requesting comments on the progress made, or working documents for CAC. The committee was adjourned *sine die* by CAC43 (2020).

Below is a summary table outlining the progress of the development of the *Standard for quinoa* (CXS 333-2019).

CAC session	Document reference	Explanatory notes
CAC38 (2015)	CX/CAC 15/38/6 Add.1 REP15/CAC paragraphs 92 and 93, Appendix VI	CAC38 agreed to begin new work to develop a standard for quinoa based on a project document submitted by Bolivia. CAC38 reactivated CCCPL to work by correspondence to undertake the work on developing the new standard.
CAC40 (2017)	CL 2017/44-CPL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annex I: the proposed draft standard Annex II: summary of discussions REP17/CAC paragraph 81, Appendix IV	The outputs of the committee, including a draft standard for quinoa, were circulated to all Members and Observers for comments. CAC40 adopted the draft standard for quinoa at Step 5. CAC40 also agreed to establish an electronic working group (EWG) of CCCPL, chaired by the Plurinational State of Bolivia and co-chaired by the United States of America, to continue the work and address the outstanding issues.
CAC41 (2018)	CL 2018/25-CPL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annex I: Guidelines for comments Annex II: the draft standard Annex III: EWG report REP18/CAC paragraph 56, Appendix III	The report of the EWG including the draft standard for quinoa were circulated to all Members and Observers for comments. CAC41 adopted the draft standard for quinoa at Step 8, except for the provisions for moisture content and grain size, which were returned to Step 6.
CAC42 (2019)	CL 2019/42-CPL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annex I: summary of the discussion prepared by USA (the host country of CCCPL) Annex II: the proposal for the two sections 	The outputs of the committee with regard to the outstanding provisions for moisture content and grain size were circulated to all Members and Observers for comments. CAC42 adopted provisions for moisture content and agreed to publish the standard for quinoa with a note

CAC session	Document reference	Explanatory notes
	REP19/CAC paragraphs 44 and 45, Appendix II	to indicate that the section on grain size was to be developed; returned the section on grain size to Step 6 for further discussion and noted if consensus could not be reached at CAC43, the section on grain size would be removed.
CAC43 (2020)	CX/CAC 20/43/12 Appendix I: the summary report on status of work for CCCPL as well as corresponding recommendations prepared by the CCCPL Chairperson REP20/CAC paragraph 117, Appendix VII	CAC43 agreed to remove the section on grain size from the <i>Standard for quinoa</i> (CXS 333-2019), and to adjourn CCCPL <i>sine die</i> .

For archival and record purposes, the work undertaken by CCCPL by correspondence during the period 2015 to 2020 which led to the development and adoption of the *Standard for quinoa* (CXS 333-2019) is designated CCCPL10.