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TO: Codex Contact Points
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FROM: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,
Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

SUBJECT: Request for comments on the alignment of the Codex texts developed by CCFH with the revised *General Principles of Food Hygiene* (CXC 1-1969)

DEADLINE: 9 December 2025

BACKGROUND

1. For the background information, please refer to [CX/FH 25/55/6](#).

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

2. Codex Members and Observers are invited to submit comments on the proposal for alignment of the Codex texts developed by CCFH with the *General Principles of Food Hygiene* (CXC 1-1969), which is uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): <https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/>, as per the guidance below.
3. In submitting comments on the above, Codex Members and Observers are invited to consider the summary of key issues and challenges, and the recommendations of the electronic working group (See CX/FH 25/55/6 paragraph 17), and to provide their inputs on
 - a. The alignment approach which aims to ensure consistency with the structure and main headings of the *General Principles of Food Hygiene* (CXC 1-1969) (See paragraph 8)
 - b. The draft aligned;
 - i. *Guidelines for the Control of Taenia saginata in Meat of Domestic Cattle* (CXG 85-2014);
 - ii. *Guidelines for the Control of Trichinella Spp. in Meat of Suidae* (CXG 86-2015); and
 - iii. *Guidelines on the Application of General Principles of Food Hygiene to the Control of Foodborne Parasites* (CXG 88-2016);

with particular attention to sections enclosed in square brackets.

- c. how to address cases where full structural alignment was not feasible due to structural, historical, or scope-related reasons, including under what circumstances, additional technical review or limited revision should be undertaken; and
- d. the proposed plan for the continuation of the work on alignment with the *General Principles of Food Hygiene* (CXC 1-1969)

GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS

4. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers using the OCS.
5. Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers may login to the OCS and access the document open for comments by selecting "Enter" in the "My reviews" page, available after login to the system.
6. Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers organizations are requested to provide general comments at the document level. Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can be found in the OCS [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#).

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7. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can be found at the following link: <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/ocs/en/>.
 8. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.