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CONSIDERATION OF LABELLING PROVISIONS IN DRAFT CODEX STANDARDS (ENDORSEMENT) (CCFO)

Note: CCFO29(2026) forwarded the draft standard for microbial omega-3 oils to CAC49(2026) for adoption at Step 5.

The labelling provisions in Sections 7.1 and 7.3 are specific to this standard.

Please also note that Section 7 makes reference to three guidelines related to labelling and claims, in addition to the *General standard for the labelling of prepackaged foods* (CXS 1-1985).

[DRAFT STANDARD FOR MICROBIAL OMEGA-3 OILS¹](#)

7. LABELLING

The requirements of the *General standard for the labelling of prepackaged foods* (CXS 1-1985), *Guidelines on nutrition labelling* (CXG 2-1985), *General guidelines on claims* (CXG 1-1979) and *Guidelines for use of nutrition and health claims* (CXG 23-1997) apply to this standard. In addition, the following specific provisions apply.

7.1 Name of the food

The name of the microbial omega-3 oil shall conform to the descriptions provided in Section 2 of this Standard and at a minimum, shall include the name of the genus (Sections 2.1.1 to 2.1.3), e.g. Algal oil (*Schizochytrium sp.*).

7.2 Labelling on non-retail containers

The labelling of non-retail containers should be in accordance with the *General standard for the labelling of non-retail containers of foods* (CXS 346-2021).

7.3 Other labelling requirements

The declaration of EPA and DHA content, and other labelling requirements specified in the country of authorisation shall be provided.

¹ REP26/FO, Appendix III