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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 i) General principles for the establishment of NRVs-R for persons aged 6 – 36 months; ii) NRVs-R for persons aged 6 – 36 months; iii) Amendments to the *Standard for infant formula and formulas for special medical purposes intended for infants*; iv) inclusion of the nitrogen to protein conversion factors for follow-up formula for older infants and product for young children in the annex in CXS 234-1999 submitted by the 44th Session of the Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses for adoption by the 47th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission

DEADLINE: 20 NOVEMBER 2024

BACKGROUND

1. The report of the 44th Session of the Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU) (REP24/NFSDU)¹ will be considered by the 47th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

2. Codex Members and Observers are invited to submit comments as follows:

General principles for the establishment of NRVs-R for persons aged 6 – 36 months

- i. **Adoption at Step 8:** the general principles for inclusion in the *Guidelines on nutrition labelling* (CXG 2-1985), REP24/NFSDU, paragraph 38 and Appendix II, Part A.

NRVs-R for persons aged 6 – 36 months

- ii. **Adoption at Step 5/8:** NRVs-R for persons aged 6 – 36 months for Vitamins A, B6, D and E, thiamin, riboflavin, niacin, pantothenic acid, calcium, copper, iodine, potassium, zinc and protein for inclusion in CXG 2-1985, REP24/NFSDU, para 67i and Appendix II, Part B.

Amendments to CXS 72-1981

- iii. **Adoption:** amendments to the *Standard for infant formula and formulas for special medical purposes intended for infants* (CXS 72-1981), paragraph 141iv and Appendix VI.

Nitrogen conversion factors

- iv. **Adoption:** proposal to include the nitrogen conversion factors for follow-up formula for older infants and product for young children in the annex in CXS 234-1999, REP24/NFSDU, paragraph 190i and Appendix VII, Part C (the annex refers to the annex recommended by CCMAS for adoption by CAC47, see REP24/MAS, paragraph 76(i) and Appendix II, Part 3).
3. The above documents are uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS)² per the guidance in paragraphs 7-11.
 4. Comments should address **whether the texts are ready for adoption**. If not, provide the rationale and proposals to facilitate adoption.
 5. Comments should be provided in compliance with the Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts (Part 3—*Uniform Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts*), Procedural Manual of the Codex Alimentarius Commission.³
 6. Codex Members and Observers are encouraged to submit comments in reply to this CL⁴ to facilitate decision-making at CAC47.

¹ <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/pt/?meeting=CCNFSDU&session=44>

² <https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org>

³ <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/publications/pt/>

⁴ <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/>

GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS

7. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers using the OCS.
8. 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.
9. Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers 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)⁵.
10. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can also be found on the Codex website⁶.
11. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.

⁵ http://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload/codexalimentarius/doc/OCS/Codex_OCS_FAQs_2017-11-06.pdf

⁶ <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/ocs/en/>