# CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION





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**TO:** Codex Contact Points

Contact Points of international organizations having observer status with Codex

**FROM:** Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,

Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

**SUBJECT:** Request for comments on:

The revision of the Classification of Food and Feed:

Portion of the commodity to which the maximum residue limits apply and which is analyzed for:

Group 006 - Group 006 Assorted tropical and sub-tropical fruits (inedible peel) and

Group 023 - Oilseeds and oilfruits

The comparison between the - Guidelines on portion of commodities to which MRLs apply and which is analyzed (CXG 41-1993) and the Classification of Food and Feed (CXA 4-1989) as per the

portion of commodities to which the MRLs apply and which is analyzed

DEADLINE: 31 May 2023

#### **BACKGROUND**

1. For background information please refer to CX/PR 23/54/8 and CX/PR 23/54/9 available on the CCPR54 webpage<sup>1</sup>.

### **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

- 2. Codex members and observers are invited to submit comments on the revised description for the portion of the commodity to which the MRLs apply and which is analyzed for Group 006 and Group 034 as described in CX/PR 23/54/8, paragraph 11, and the subsequent revision of the Classification of Food and Feed (CXA 4-1989) as per these two groups, and the consequential revocation of the Guidelines on portion of commodities to which MRLs apply and which is analyzed (CXG 41-1993) following the comparison of provisions on portion of commodities to which MRLs apply and which is analyzed, which are uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): <a href="https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/">https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/</a>, as per the guidance in paragraphs 5-9.
- 3. Codex members and observers are invited to provide:

### General comments on:

- a. The *Classification of Food and Feed* (CXA 4-1989) being the single authoritative reference for the classification of food and feed for the establishment of maximum residue limits for pesticides.
- b. The revocation of the *Guidelines on portion of commodities to which MRLs apply and which is analyzed* (CXG 41-1993) as these provisions are taken up in the Classification of Food and Feed.
- c. The revision of the Classification as per the changes proposed for Group 006 Assorted tropical and subtropical fruits (inedible peel) and Group 023 Oilseeds and oilfruits

## Specific comments on:

- d. The proposed changes to Group 006 and Group 023 based on the description provided in CX/PR 23/54/8, paragraph 11.
- 4. As per CL 2023/34-PR, paragraph 5, Codex members and observers are invited to provide comments on the questions raised in paragraph 3 in order to complete the revision of the *Classification of Food and Feed* at CCPR54.

https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/en/?meeting=CCPR&session=53

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#### **GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS**

5. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers using the OCS.

- 6. 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.
- 7. Contact Points of Codex members and observer organizations are requested to provide proposed changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific paragraph (under the categories: editorial, substantive, technical and translation) and/or at the document level (general comments or summary comments). Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can be found in the OCS <a href="Frequently Asked Questions">Frequently Asked Questions</a> (FAQs).
- 8. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can be found at the following link: <a href="http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/">http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/</a>.
- 9. For questions on the OCS, please contact <a href="mailto:codex-OCS@fao.org"><u>Codex-OCS@fao.org</u></a>.