

## EWG Invitation

You are invited to participate in the CCFA EWG on the Alignment of the food additive provisions of commodity standards and relevant provisions of the GSFA.

Chair:	Canada
Co-Chairs:	United States of America and Japan
Description of work:	<p>CCFA54 agreed to establish an Electronic Working Group (EWG), chaired by Canada and co-chaired by the United States of America (USA) and Japan, and working in English only, to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. align the CCASIA regional standards: CXS 298R-2009; CXS 301R-2011; CXS 322R-2015; CXS 354R-2023; CXS 355R-2023;</li><li>ii. align the CCNE regional standards: CXS 257R-2007; CXS 258R-2007; CXS 259R-2007; CXS 341R-2020;</li><li>iii. align the following CCSCCH standards: CXS 342-2021; CXS 343-2021; CXS 344-2021; CXS 345-2021; CXS 347-2019; CXS 351-2022; CXS 352-2022; CXS 353-2022;</li><li>iv. verify and update the provisions for colours in the GSFA FC 02.1.2 reflecting that colours were not permitted in vegetable oils covered by CXS 19-1981 prior to the alignment of the standard with the GSFA;</li><li>v. introduce the limited use of methacrylate copolymer, basic (BMC) (INS 1205) in fortified rice, by:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. introducing a food additive section in the <i>Standard for Rice</i> (CXS 198-1995), including an appropriate reference to certain carriers in FC 06.1 of the GSFA; and</li><li>b. making consequential changes to the food additive provisions of FC 06.1, as necessary; and</li></ol></li><li>vi. update the list of Table 3 additives that should be migrated from Tables 1 and 2 of the GSFA, following the Table 3 Notes approach.</li></ol>
Working Group Languages:	English

Should you be interested in participating in this EWG by contributing to Canada's comments, **please send your full contact information to the Canadian Coordinator below and copy** Codex Canada at [codex\\_canada@hc-sc.gc.ca](mailto:codex_canada@hc-sc.gc.ca) by **COB June 10, 2024**.

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