



## Electronic Working Group (EWG) Invitation

### CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD HYGIENE (CCFH)

#### Invitation to participate in the electronic working group (EWG) on the revision of the *Guidelines on the Application of General Principles of Food Hygiene to the Control of Pathogenic Vibrio Species in Seafood* (CXG 73-2010)

This message is sent on behalf of Japan, Honduras, Morocco and New Zealand

<b>Title</b>	<b>Draft Revision of the <i>Guidelines on the Application of the General Principles of Food Hygiene to the control of Pathogenic Vibrio Species in Seafood</i> (CXG 73-2010)</b>
<b>Committee</b>	Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH)
<b>Session</b>	55 <sup>th</sup> Session
<b>Chair of EWG</b>	Japan
<b>Co-Chairs</b>	Honduras, Morocco and New Zealand
<b>Working Languages</b>	English <sup>1</sup>
<b>Description of work</b>	CCFH 55 agreed to establish an EWG to review the text in square brackets in the revision of CXG 73-2010 (REP24/FH Appendix V) taking into account CXC 100-2023 Annex II (REP26/FH Appendix III) for circulation for comments at Step 6 and consideration at CCFH56 ( <a href="#">REP26/FH</a> para. 56-57).
<b>Timetable for work</b>	<p>The tentative timetable for the work is as follows:</p> <p><b>20 February 2026</b> – Due date for answer to the invitation and register EWG members.</p> <p><u>First consultation round:</u></p> <p><b>2 March 2026</b> – Draft Revision of the Guidelines on the Application of the General Principles of Food Hygiene to the control of Pathogenic <i>Vibrio</i> Species in Seafood (CXG 73-2010) to be posted on the EWG Forum for comments</p> <p><b>10 April 2026</b> – Deadline for comments from Members and Observers</p> <p><u>Second consultation round (if necessary, based on the outcome of the 1<sup>st</sup> round of consultation):</u></p> <p><b>1 June 2026</b> – Revised Draft Revision of the Guidelines on the Application of the General Principles of Food Hygiene to the control of Pathogenic <i>Vibrio</i> Species in Seafood (CXG 73-2010) to be posted on the EWG Forum for further comments</p> <p><b>3 July 2026</b> – Deadline for comments for the second round</p> <p><b>14 August 2026</b> – EWG report and revised guidelines submitted to the Codex Secretariat</p>
<b>Email for registration</b>	please send your full contact information to: <a href="mailto:codexj@mhlw.go.jp">codexj@mhlw.go.jp</a>
<b>Registration deadline</b>	<b>20 February 2026</b>
<b>EWG online platform</b>	Yes x No <input type="checkbox"/>

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this Electronic Working Group. When there is more than one expert, each country or observer organization shall designate **one** as the official representative to participate in the EWG.

Applications should be sent through the Codex Contact Point (CCP) of the member or recognized observer organization in an email detailing:

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<sup>1</sup> Comments in Spanish also accepted

- participant's name
- official title or position
- organization or country
- email address.

#### The EWG platform

Link: <http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php>

**Usergroup name: CCFH55 - Vibrio (2026)**

**The platform will require members to login. New participants to the platform should first register. ([online guide](#), [video tutorial](#))**

The EWG chair will give participants access to the usergroup online once they have verified their credentials so please ensure that you follow the procedure for applications and email the chair through your CCP even if you are already registered on the platform. Once your CCP has sent your application you can request to join the EWG usergroup directly on the platform. You do not need to create a new registration if you have previously used the platform.

#### Technical support

For all technical assistance regarding the platform please contact the platform administrator (Codex Secretariat) using the Contact link on the platform homepage or via [codex@fao.org](mailto:codex@fao.org).

We look forward to your participation.

Chair of the EWG: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Japan

Co-chairs of the EWG: Honduras, Morocco and New Zealand