Virtual Meetings

**Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC)**
The 43rd Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC43), which was conducted virtually for the first time in its history (on September 24-26; October 12 and 19, 2020) due to the Covid-19 pandemic, convened on November 5-6, 2020 for the adoption of the CAC43 draft report. The final CAC43 report is currently available in English on the Codex Alimentarius website at the following link: [http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/en/?meeting=CAC&session=43](http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/en/?meeting=CAC&session=43). Additionally, the U.S. Delegate Report for CAC 43 is now available on the USDA website at the following link: [https://www.usda.gov/topics/trade/international-food-standards/codex-delegation-reports](https://www.usda.gov/topics/trade/international-food-standards/codex-delegation-reports).

Rescheduled Codex Committee Sessions

**Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods (CCRVDF)**
The 25th Session of CCRVDF is now rescheduled for July 12-16, 2021, in Cleveland, Ohio, United States. Documents related to the 25th Session of CCRVDF will be available at the following link: [http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/en/?meeting=CCRVDF&session=25](http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/en/?meeting=CCRVDF&session=25). For additional information, please contact Ken Lowery (ken.lowery@usda.gov) of the U.S. Codex Office.

Requests for Comments

**Codex Committee on Food Labelling (CCFL)**

**Internet Sales and E-Commerce:** The Codex Secretariat has issued a Circular Letter (CL 2020/58/OCS-FL) requesting comments on the draft guidance on internet sales and e-commerce prepared by EWG members. The CL is available in English, French and Spanish at the following link: [www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters](http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters). If you are interested in having your comments considered in the U.S. response, please send them to Kristen Hendricks (Kristen.hendricks@usda.gov) by December 15, 2020. Comments by other observers and countries should be submitted via their Codex Contact Point (CCP) using the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS) ([https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org](https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org)) by January 8, 2021.

**Innovation and Technology in Food Labelling:** The Codex Secretariat has issued a Circular Letter (CL 2020/57/OCS-FL) requesting comments on a paper about innovation and technology in food, which will be used to explore new work for CCFL. The CL is available in English, French and Spanish at the following link: [www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters](http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters). If you are interested in having your comments considered in the U.S. response, please send them to Kristen Hendricks (Kristen.hendricks@usda.gov) by December 15, 2020. Comments by other observers and countries should be submitted via their CCP to the CCP for
Canada (hc.codex.canada.sc@canada.ca) with a copy to the Codex Secretariat (codex@fao.org) by January 15, 2021.

**Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CCMAS)**

**Measurement Uncertainty and Criteria for Typing:** The Codex Secretariat has extended the deadline on the Circular Letter (CL 2020/31/OCS-MAS) requesting comments on: (i) the proposed revised Guideline on Measurement Uncertainty; (ii) Information document on procedures for the estimation of measurement uncertainty; and (iii) criteria to select Type II methods from multiple Type III methods. The CL is currently available in English, French and Spanish at the following link: www.fao.org/fao-whocodexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en. If you are interested in having your comments considered in the U.S. response, please send them to Heather Selig (Heather.Selig@usda.gov) by January 8, 2021. Comments by other observers and countries should be submitted via their CCP using the Online Commenting System (OCS) (https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org) by January 15, 2021.

**Electronic Working Groups**

**Codex Committee on Fats and Oils (CCFO)**

**Request for Comments:** CCFO is requesting comments for the electronic Working Group (EWG) working on the draft revision to the *Standard for Olive Oils and Olive Pomace Oils*. If you are interested in receiving the draft revision and having your comments considered in the U.S. response, please contact the U.S. Codex Office (USCO) (uscodex@usda.gov). The deadline for sending comments to the USCO is December 11, 2020. Other members of the EWG may submit comments through their CCP to EWG chair Juan Ramón Izquierdo (jialvarez@mapa.es) by December 16, 2020.

**Other**

**FAO Publications**

The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations has released two new publications this week, including:

- Joint FAO/WHO Expert Meeting on Tropane Alkaloids: Report
- FAO/IFIF publication - Good practices for the feed sector - Implementing the Codex Alimentarius Code of Practice on Good Animal Feeding

**Codex Trust Fund**

Applications for support from the FAO/WHO Codex Trust Fund (Round 5) are now being accepted until December 15, 2020. All application documents and information resources - including eligibility - can be found at the following link: https://www.who.int/initiatives/codex-trust-fund/support.