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51ST SESSION OVERVIEW

The 51st Session of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH) will take place from November 4–8, 2019, in Cleveland, Ohio, at the Hilton Cleveland Downtown Hotel.

On-site registration (to collect your badges and other materials) will also be available on Saturday, November 2 from 14:00 – 18:00 and on Sunday, November 3 from 8:00-18:00.

On Sunday, November 3, there will be an all-day physical Working Group (PWG) on the Proposed Draft Revision of the General Principles of Food Hygiene (CAC/RCP 1-1969) and its HACCP Annex.

The plenary session will open on Monday, November 4, at 09:30 and conclude after the report adoption on Friday, November 8.



AGENDA

Saturday

NOVEMBER 2

14:00 - 18:00 Registration

Sunday

NOVEMBER 3

08:00 - 18:00 Registration

09:00 - 18:00 Physical Working Group:
Proposed Draft Revision of the
General Principles of Food Hygiene
[CAC/RCP 1-1969] and its *HACCP Annex*

Monday

NOVEMBER 4

08:00 - 16:00 Registration
09:00 - 09:30 New Delegate Training
09:30 - 10:00 Opening Ceremony
10:00 - 12:30 Plenary AM Session
12:30 - 14:30 Lunch
14:30 - 16:00 Plenary PM Session 1
16:00 - 16:30 Break
16:30 - 18:00 Plenary PM Session 2
19:00 - 21:00 Welcome Reception

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 5

09:00 - 10:30 Plenary AM Session 1
10:30 - 11:00 Break
11:00 - 12:30 Plenary AM Session 2
12:30 - 14:30 Lunch
14:30 - 16:00 Plenary PM Session 1
16:00 - 16:30 Break
16:30 - 18:00 Plenary PM Session 2

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 6

09:00 - 10:30 Plenary AM Session 1
10:30 - 11:00 Break
11:00 - 12:30 Plenary AM Session 2
12:30 - 14:30 Lunch
14:30 - 16:00 Plenary PM Session 1
16:00 - 16:30 Break
16:30 - 18:00 Plenary PM Session 2

Thursday

NOVEMBER 7

ALL DAY Report Writing Day

Friday

NOVEMBER 8

08:00 Report Available
09:00-12:00 Report Adoption





CODEX ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM

The U.S. Codex Office is using the Codex Online Registration System (ORS) to register delegates for the CCFH meeting, via the following link:
<http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/registration/en/>

Please note that the invitation to CCFH 51 issued by FAO and WHO requests that delegates register by October 01, 2019.

We would encourage all delegates who expect to attend CCFH 51 to register well in advance to ensure that appropriate seating arrangements will be available for them at the meeting.

**Please note that the CCFH meeting registration is a separate process from the hotel reservations for sleeping accommodations at the Hilton Cleveland Downtown Hotel (please see section below CCFH 51 Venue Hotel).





VISA REQUIREMENTS

Those who will require a visa to enter the United States are strongly encouraged to begin the visa application process as soon as possible. Most delegates will be considered independent travelers and will need to apply for a B1/B2 visa. Diplomats and other foreign government officials traveling to the United States to engage solely in official duties or activities on behalf of their national government must obtain A-1 or A-2 visas prior to entering the United States. They cannot travel using visitor visas or under the Visa Waiver Program.

Additional information may be found at the following site:

<https://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/visit/visitor.html>

According to the U.S. State Department, all government officials will need a diplomatic note to accompany the visa application. In addition, many U.S. Embassies require in-person interviews that may take time to schedule and openings may not be available

at the last moment. Please consult the nearest U.S. Embassy for additional guidance.

Although the U.S. Codex Office cannot influence the visa process, we will assist in any way we can, including providing notification of registration letters to each registered delegate. It is the responsibility of delegates to begin the visa application process in a timely manner, and if this is not done well in advance, it may not be possible to obtain a visa in time to attend the meeting.

We believe it is important that delegates from all Member Countries and Organizations have the opportunity to participate in Codex meetings. Completing and submitting the visa application promptly will ensure that the work of Codex accurately reflects the views and contributions of all its Members.



ABOUT

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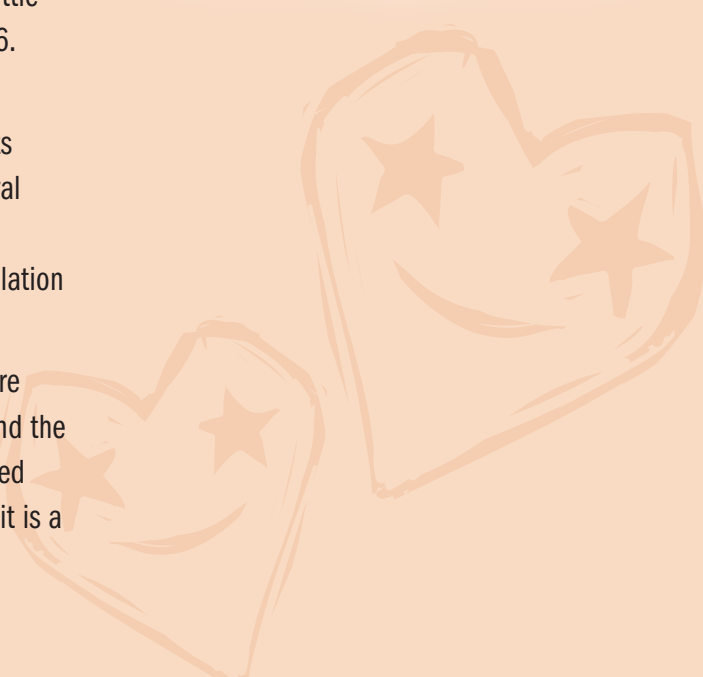
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Cleveland, located in northeast Ohio on Lake Erie, was founded by (and named after) General Moses Cleaveland, while surveying the Western Reserve in 1796. In 1803 Ohio was admitted to the Union, and a little over thirty years later, Cleveland was incorporated as a city in 1836.

In the next century to follow, Cleveland experienced tremendous industrial growth due to its location on the Ohio and Erie canals, its connection to numerous railroad lines, and an abundance of natural resources like iron and oil. In the early part of the 20th century, Cleveland was the 5th largest city in the United States with a population of over 900,000.

Over the last century, Cleveland's population has decreased by more than half and it is now the 51st-largest city in the United States, and the second-largest city in Ohio. Fortunately, re-investment has revitalized the city's downtown area and diversified Cleveland's economy and it is a thriving metropolis once again with a beautiful lakefront park.



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HOW TO GET TO CLEVELAND

FLYING IN

Cleveland's primary airport is Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE). It is conveniently located nine miles (14 km) southwest of downtown Cleveland. It's the largest and busiest airport in Ohio.

TRANSPORTATION TO THE HILTON CLEVELAND DOWNTOWN HOTEL

TAXIS and RIDE SHARES (Uber/Lyft)

Taxis and Ride Share Services (Uber/Lyft) are the most convenient mode of transportation to and from the airport. Typically, ride share services are less expensive than taxis. Uber and Lyft riders may request a private car or a shared car, which will pick other passengers up along the way and discount your ride cost. To use Uber or Lyft, you must download the respective mobile app.

From CLE, the Hilton Cleveland Downtown Hotel is about 15-30 minutes depending on traffic.

- Ride Share costs are approximately \$20 - \$25
- Ride Share pick-up and drop-off can be coordinated

on either the upper (departures) or lower (arrivals) roadways

- It is best to wait to request the pickup only when you're ready to walk outside
- When you arrive at baggage claim, use the escalators behind the Welcome Center, and then follow the signs to "Ride Share Pickups"
- Meet your driver at the "Ride Share Pickups" area only

***For more information on how to download the apps, additional fares, and first-time user promo codes go to:

<https://www.uber.com/global/en/airports/cle/>

<https://www.lyft.com/airports/ord>



RTA PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

From CLE, take the RTA Red Line Train (approx. \$2.50)

- Follows signs in the airport for RTA Dr., turn right onto Upper Dr., and take the pedestrian overpass and purchase a ticket
- Take the Red Line towards Stokes / Windermere 9 stops (28 minutes)
- Get off at the Tower City-Public Square Station and then walk 0.6 miles (1km)/ 12 minutes or take a ride share/ taxi the rest of the way (approx. \$7)
- Head east on W Prospect Ave toward W 2nd St

- Turn left onto Ontario St
- Turn left onto S Roadway
- Turn right toward Public Square/Rockwell Ave
- Turn left toward Public Square/Rockwell Ave
- Turn left toward Public Square/Rockwell Ave
- Turn right onto Public Square/Rockwell Ave
- Turn left onto Ontario St
- The Hilton Cleveland Downtown Hotel will be on the right



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HILTON CLEVELAND DOWNTOWN

Hilton Cleveland Downtown is in the heart of Cleveland's vibrant downtown, minutes away from popular attractions, sports venues, dining, and entertainment.

CCFH 51 VENUE HOTEL

100 Lakeside Ave East

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<https://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/ohio/hilton-cleveland-downtown-CLEDOHH/index.html>

Hotel check-in: 16:00

Hotel check-out: 11:00



HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Please **CLICK HERE** <https://book.passkey.com/e/49909356>, to book, modify and cancel your reservations online. Please note that this link is not tablet or mobile friendly. The link automatically populates the contracted dates. Guest should click on “change search” to personalize their dates.

You will need to provide a credit card upon booking your room. If your plans change, you may cancel without penalty 72 hours prior to your arrival. We encourage all delegates to secure a reservation as early as possible. Your credit card will not be

charged until you check-in at the hotel.

The CCFH special rate of \$152.62 per night (single or double occupancy) includes complimentary breakfast buffet, wireless guestroom Internet, and daily passes to the fitness center. This rate includes the 16.5% sales tax.

Please note the special rate is available only until October 02, 2019. Any reservations requested after this date will be based on availability. Please make your reservations early!

SERVICES

- Business center
- Automated Teller Machine (ATM)
- Baggage Storage
- Concierge Desk
- Digital Key Available
- Gift Shop
- Laundry/Valet Service
- Lounge
- Luggage Hold
- Room Service
- Safety Deposit Box
- Fitness Room
- Indoor Pool

GUEST

- Standard in-room features include:
- Available hi speed WiFi
 - LCD TV and premium cable
 - In-room safe
 - Evening room service available
 - Mini refrigerator
 - Oversized desk
 - Convenient electrical outlets
 - Coffeemaker with complimentary coffee and tea
 - Iron and hairdryer
 - Bathroom amenities



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WEATHER

- Average temperatures for early November in Cleveland are around 14°C (58°F) during the day and drop to 5°C (41°F) at night.
- We would suggest checking the weather as the meeting gets closer; however, you should pack a warm coat and a hat for the evenings. It is also a good idea to layer your clothing so that you can remove or add garments as needed for comfort.

ELECTRICAL CURRENT

- Electrical appliances operate on 110 volts (60Hz).
- Power outlets accommodate two prong or three prong plugs.

CURRENCY

- United States Dollar (\$)
- ATM Machines and Currency Exchange are available at the airport upon arrival.
- Credit cards accepted—Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover are the most accepted credit cards.
- You may use your bank or credit card as long as you have a 4 digit pin and/or a chip.

TIPS AND TAXES

- All prices are subject to 8% sales tax in the city of Cleveland.
- Please note that taxi fares and restaurant bills do not include gratuities. It is therefore customary to add a 15-20% tip when settling a bill.



LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

The city is home to the internationally-renowned Cleveland Orchestra, Cleveland Opera, and many cultural museums. Sports fans can cheer for the Cleveland Browns, Indians, and Cavaliers at their new stadiums. Plenty of outdoor recreation is also available with more than 275 miles of bikeable trails, 14 Metroparks Reservations and the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Cleveland's nightlife is centered in the downtown area and the Warehouse District is among the best places in the city to see live music.

CCFH will feature a Tour Desk where you may book a variety of sightseeing options, excursions, and activities during your free time.

For more information on major attractions, sporting events, authentic Cleveland experiences and more, this link has it all:

<https://www.thisiscleveland.com>



CLEVELAND ATTRACTIONS

Approximate distance from the host hotels:

1. **Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, 0.5m (0.8km)**
<https://www.rockhall.com/>
2. **Playhouse Square, 1.3m (2km)**
<http://www.playhousesquare.org/>
3. **Westside Market, 1.7m (2.7km)**
<http://westsidemarket.org/>
4. **Cleveland Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), 7.6m (12.2km)**
<https://www.mocacleveland.org/>
5. **Cleveland Museum of Art, 7m (11.2km)**
<http://www.clevelandart.org/>
6. **Cleveland Museum of Natural History, 7m (11.2km)**
<https://www.cmnh.org/>
7. **Greater Cleveland Aquarium, 1.5m (2.5km)**
<http://greaterclevelandaquarium.com/>
8. **Great Lakes Science Center 0.7m (1.1km)**
<http://greatscience.com>
9. **Edgewater Beach and other Metroparks, 3m (4.8km)**
<https://www.clevelandmetroparks.com/parks>
10. **Soldiers and Sailors Monument, 0.3m (0.5km)**
<http://www.soldiersandsailors.com/>

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We look forward to seeing you in Cleveland!

CCFH SECRETARIAT



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