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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 and information on national registrations of pesticides
(national registration database of pesticides for periodic review by JMPR)**

DEADLINE: **28 February 2022**

BACKGROUND

- For background information, please refer to previous discussion at CCPR's sessions including relevant circular letters as follows:
 - CCPR48 (2016) (REP16/PR48, paragraphs 178, 180-181)
 - CCPR49 (2017) (REP17/PR49, paragraphs 174-177)
 - CCPR50 (2018) (REP18/PR50, paragraphs 154-157)
 - CCPR51 (2019) (REP19/PR51, paragraphs 216-233)
 - CCPR52 (2021) ((REP21/PR52, paragraphs 236-239)
 - CL 2018/17-PR
 - CL 2018/50-PR
- The reports¹ of CCPR's sessions and relevant circular letters² can be found on the Codex/CCPR website. Further information on the latest developments on the national registration database can be found in working document CX/PR 21/52/18³ presented at CCPR52.
- The list of 20 pesticides on which comments are requested in the excel sheet have been selected from Tables 2A List of compounds scheduled by CCPR for periodic review by JMPR and 2B – List of compounds that have been last evaluated 15 years ago or more and have not yet been scheduled by CCPR for periodic review by JMPR.
- Replies from Codex members on the status of the national registration of these compounds would assist the Electronic Working Group on Priorities to prepare the Codex schedules and priority lists of pesticides for periodic review, for consideration/agreement by the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues, and subsequent safety assessment by Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPR).
- The spreadsheet is available in English only.
- The revised Classes of the Classification of Food and Feed as adopted by CAC are available in the CCPR's reports¹ as follows:
 - Class A Primary Food Commodities of Plant Origin
 - Type 01 Fruits: REP17/PR49, Appendix IX
 - Type 02 Vegetables: REP17/PR49, Appendix VIII
 - Type 03 Grasses: REP17/PR49, Appendix XI
 - Type 04 Nuts, Seeds and Saps: REP18/PR50, Appendix VII
 - Type 05 Herbs and Spices: REP18/PR50, Appendix VIII
 - Type M Miscellaneous: REP19/PR51, Appendix VII

¹ Reports of CCPR's session are available on the Codex website:
<https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/committees/committee/related-meetings/en/?committee=CCPR>

² [Codex website/Circular Letters:](http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/)
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³ <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/committees/committee/related-circular-letters/en/?committee=CCPR>
<https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/en/?meeting=CCPR&session=52>

- Class C – Primary Feed Commodities
Type 11 - Primary feed commodities of plant origin (single type): REP21/PR52, Appendix VII
 - Class D – Processed Foods of Plant Origin
All types: REP21/PR52, Appendix VIII
7. For the remaining Classes still under revision by CCPR i.e. Class B Primary Food Commodities of Animal Origin and Class E – Processed Foods of Animal Origin, please check the *Classification of Food and Feed (CXA 4-1989)*⁴ available on the Codex website.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

8. Codex members are invited to provide information on their national registrations for pesticides by filling in the new spreadsheet as agreed⁵ to by CCPR51 (2019) using the instructions given in the Annex and the crop groups as refer to in paragraphs 6-7 above for the relevant pesticide/commodity combination(s) and corresponding MRL(s) available.
9. In addition, Codex members are invited to report on any problems with the current approach e.g. problems encountered with the spreadsheet, problems encountered with the number of substances, and other problems encountered in filling in the excel sheet in the relevant column in the excel sheet available to this purpose.
10. Note that individual excel files, besides duly completed by the Codex member, should be uploaded on the Codex website as per the instruction given in the Annex. Excel files sent by email to the Codex Secretariat will not be uploaded onto the Codex website.

⁴ <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/committees/committee/related-standards/en/?committee=CCPR>

⁵ REP19/PR51, para. 219 and CX/PR 19/51/18, Appendix I

ANNEX**Instructions to get, fill and upload the spreadsheet (Excel file) on the Codex Website**

1. Firstly please login with your credentials at: <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/login/en/>.
2. In the “MyCodex dashboard” page please click on the link “Upload of the Excel File on National Registrations of Pesticides”.
3. In the page “CCPR National Registrations Database” you can please download the XSL file to be filled in by clicking on “Please download the XLS file empty form here” and save the file locally.
4. Then please fill-in the Excel file you have saved locally. In the following section you will find the instructions to fill the tables on national registrations.
5. Once done, you can then follow again the steps #1 and #2 above and still in the “CCPR National Registrations Database” page you can now upload the filled-in Excel file by using the box “Upload of the Excel (XLS) File on national registrations of pesticides”.
6. On the same page you will be able to also see the history of your uploads.

The excel file can be downloaded from:

https://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload/codexalimentarius/xls_upload_2022/NRD_Database_Exercise_2022_PR53Eonly.xlsx

Instructions for using the table on national registrations

Also available from: https://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload/codexalimentarius/xls_upload_2022/InstructionsE.pdf

General information	<p>The table contains an overall number of 24 active substances. Nine are scheduled for the 2020 JMPR and seven for the 2021 JMPR. Especially the substances for 2021 are not yet fixed. Nevertheless, three of them are not supported for the time being.</p> <p>Additional eight substances are added that will have no periodic review within a 25-years period in 2020/2021. Their toxicology will be outdated in the near future (Risk Analysis Principles, paragraph 74). Therefore, it is important to bring them to the attention of CCPR with a view to transfer them to Table 2A with the aim of subsequent scheduling.</p>
Line 2	Line 2 contains two white boxes. In the first one please fill your country's name and in the second one the date you complete the inclusion of the information into the National Registration Database.
Lines 4 and 5	These lines contain from column C onwards Codex Pesticide Number and the Pesticide Name.
Line 6	Please replace the (MS) in this line by N from Column C onwards in case you do not have any registered label or authorised use.
Columns A and B	<p>These columns contain crop codes in column A and names of Crop groups/crops for which a registered label exists.</p> <p>The aim was, to have an easy to handle table. Following the proposal made in CCPR51 (2019). For this reason, crop Groups are given in bold and crop Subgroups in normal types. Where ever possible the representative crops per group or subgroup of crops are added in italic type.</p>
White cells starting with cell C7	<p>Please add a <u>Y</u> for all uses if your country has a registered label or authorized use for the active substance mentioned in heading of the column (lines 4 and 5).</p> <p>A) It is sufficient to add the Y in lines with subgroup or group in case one or more crops belonging to that subgroup or group of crops have a registered label or an authorised use.</p> <p>B) In case you are able to include some more information, the following work is accepted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the use is for the representative use of a group/subgroup only, add the Y in the cell for the representative crop. • If the use is for several crops of a group/subgroup but not for the representative crop please add the Y in the entire cell of the subgroup or group. • If the use is for several crops of a group/subgroup including the representative crop please add the Y in the cell of the representative crop and the entire cell of the subgroup or group.
Special requirements	<p>In case of hydrogen phosphide (column L) please indicate whether the use is for the aluminium, calcium, magnesium or zinc salt by adding Al, Ca, Mg and/or Zn in parenthesis after Y. As the active substance is PH₃ it will be useful to know, whether this substance also has a registered label or authorized use. In this case please add an N in parenthesis.</p> <p>In case of dithiocarbamates (column O) please indicate by a small letter in parenthesis the active substance for which a registered label or authorized use is in place in your country. The letters to be used are same as used in the in the table of <u>Maximum Residue Limits in Food and Feed</u>, i. e., metiram (m), maneb (n), mancozeb (c), propineb (p), thiram (h), ziram (z).</p>
Additional remarks	Although the table may not be perfect Codex members are kindly requested not change the table itself. Please use column AB to place any additional information for (i) concerns (e.g. shortcomings identified in completing the excel sheet) and/or (ii) improvements to facilitate input of data/information.
Changes compared to the 2019 exercise	Inclusion of Class C and Class D as adopted in 2021 as well as an update on unclassified miscellaneous commodities. Adding of calcium and magnesium salts to the entry phosphide (46). Deletion of bromide ion (47) due to revocation. Addition of amitraz (122) and clethodim (187) due to the 4-years rule. Adding a commenting column (see above).