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**TO:** Codex Contact Points  
Contact Points of international organizations having observer status with Codex  
Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,  
Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

**SUBJECT:** Request for comments on the draft standards and related texts submitted by the 54th Session of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene for adoption by the 47th Session of the Commission

**DEADLINE:** 1 OCTOBER 2024

## BACKGROUND

1. The report of the 54th Session of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH) ([REP24/FH](#)) will be considered by the 47th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Geneva, Switzerland, 25 - 30 November 2024).

## REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

2. Codex Members and Observers are invited to submit comments on the following matters for adoption by the Commission, which have been uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): <https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/>, as per the guidance below.

### **Adoption at Step 5**

- i. Revision to the *Guidelines on the Application of the General Principles of Food Hygiene to the control of Pathogenic Vibrio Species in Seafood* ([CXG 73-2010](#)): paragraph 131, **Appendix V**

### **Adoption at Step 5/8**

- i. Annex II on Fresh Leafy Vegetables of the *Guidelines for the Control of Shiga Toxin-Producing Escherichia coli (STEC) in Raw Beef, Fresh Leafy Vegetables, Raw Milk and Raw Milk Cheeses, and Sprouts* ([CXG 99-2023](#)): paragraph 52, **Appendix II**
  - ii. Annex IV on Sprouts of the *Guidelines for the Control of Shiga Toxin-Producing Escherichia coli (STEC) in Raw Beef, Fresh Leafy Vegetables, Raw Milk and Raw Milk Cheeses, and Sprouts* ([CXG 99-2023](#)): paragraph 52, **Appendix III**
  - iii. Annex III on Milk and Milk Products of the *Guidelines for the Safe Use and Reuse of Water in Food Production and Processing* ([CXG 100-2023](#)): paragraph 89 i., **Appendix IV**
  - iv. Proposed Draft Guidelines for Food Hygiene Control Measures in Traditional Markets for Food: paragraph 169, **Appendix VI**
3. Comments should address **whether the above-mentioned texts are ready for adoption or not**; and if not, provide the rationale and proposals to facilitate adoption. Comments should be provided in conformity with the *Procedure for the elaboration of Codex standards and related texts* (Part 3 – *Uniform procedure for the elaboration of Codex standards and related texts*), Procedural Manual of the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

## GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS

4. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers using the OCS.
5. Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers may login to the OCS and access the document open for comments by selecting “Enter” in the “My reviews” page, available after login to the system.
6. Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers organizations are requested to provide general comments at the document level. Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can be found in the OCS [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#).
7. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can be found at the following link: <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/ocs/en/>.

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8. For questions on the OCS, please contact [Codex-OCS@fao.org](mailto:Codex-OCS@fao.org).