

# CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION



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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 on the proposed draft standard for fresh dates (at Step 3)

**DEADLINE:** 31 August 2017

## BACKGROUND

1. See CX/FFV 17/20/8<sup>1</sup>.

## REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

2. Codex members and observers are invited to submit comments at Step 3 on the proposed draft standard for fresh dates, which is uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS)<sup>2</sup> as per the general guidance below.
3. Codex members and observers are invited to pay attention to any pending or particular issue identified in the summary report of the EWG in order to assist CCFFV20 in finalizing the standard.

## GENERAL GUIDANCE FOR 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 proposed changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific paragraph (under the categories: editorial, substantive, technical and translation) and/or at the document level (general comments).
7. At the end of the commenting period, the Codex Secretariat will compile comments in a relevant working document using the system.
8. Additional guidance on the OCS can be found on the Codex website<sup>3</sup>.
9. For questions on the OCS, please contact [Codex-OCS@fao.org](mailto:Codex-OCS@fao.org).

<sup>1</sup> All working documents for CCFFV20 are available at:

<http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings-reports/detail/en/?meeting=CCFFV&session=20>

<sup>2</sup> <https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/ocs/en/>