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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 methods of analysis/performance criteria and annex on nitrogen conversion factors (NCF) submitted by the 43rd Session of the Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling for adoption by the 47th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission

**DEADLINE:** 1 OCTOBER 2024

## BACKGROUND

1. The report of the 43rd Session of the Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CCMAS) (REP24/MAS)<sup>1</sup> will be considered by the 47th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

## REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

2. Codex Members and Observers are invited to submit comments as follows:

### Methods of Analysis / performance criteria

- i. **Adoption:** methods of analysis and performance criteria for methods of analysis for provisions in Codex standards, REP24/MAS, paragraph 20(i), 23(i) and 26(i), Appendix II, Part 1.

### Annex on nitrogen to protein conversion factors

- i. **Adoption:** List of nitrogen to protein conversion factors as an annex to CXS 234, REP24/MAS, para 76(i), Appendix II, Part 3.

3. The above documents are uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS)<sup>2</sup> per the guidance in paragraphs 7-11.
4. Comments should address **whether the methods of analysis, performance criteria and annex on NCF are ready for adoption**. If not, provide the rationale and proposals to facilitate adoption.
5. Comments should be provided in compliance 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.<sup>3</sup>
6. Codex Members and Observers are encouraged to submit comments in reply to this CL<sup>4</sup> to facilitate decision-making at CAC47.

## GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS

7. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers using the OCS.
8. 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.
9. Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers 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)<sup>5</sup>.
10. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can also be found on the Codex website<sup>6</sup>.
11. For questions on the OCS, please contact [Codex-OCS@fao.org](mailto:Codex-OCS@fao.org).

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/pt/?meeting=CCMAS&session=43>

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

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/publications/pt/>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/>

<sup>5</sup> [http://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user\\_upload/codexalimentarius/doc/OCS/Codex\\_OCS\\_FAQs\\_2017-11-06.pdf](http://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload/codexalimentarius/doc/OCS/Codex_OCS_FAQs_2017-11-06.pdf)

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/ocs/en/>