



Electronic Working Group (EWG) Invitation

CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD HYGIENE (CCFH)

Invitation to participate in the electronic working group (EWG) on the revision of the Guidelines on the Application of General Principles of Food Hygiene to the Control of *Listeria monocytogenes* in Foods (CXG 61-2007)

This message is sent on behalf of the United States of America, Canada, China and France

Title	REVISION OF THE <i>GUIDELINES ON THE APPLICATION OF GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF FOOD HYGIENE TO THE CONTROL OF <i>LISTERIA MONOCYTOGENES</i> IN FOODS (CXG 61-2007)</i>												
Committee	Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH)												
Session	54th Session												
Chair of EWG	United States of America												
Co-Chairs	Canada, China and France												
Working Languages	English ¹												
Description of work	CCFH 54 agreed to establish an EWG, to prepare, subject to approval of the Commission, the proposed draft revision of the Guidelines for circulation for comments at Step 3 and consideration at CCFH55 and full alignment with the text of CXC 1-1969 as necessary (REP24/FH para. 188-189).												
Timetable for work	The tentative timetable for the work is as follows: <table><tr><td>Registration for EWG</td><td>1 August 2024</td></tr><tr><td>Draft Revision of <i>Guidelines on the Application of General Principles of Food Hygiene to the Control of Listeria monocytogenes in Foods (CXG 61-2007)</i></td><td>1 December 2024</td></tr><tr><td>Deadline for comments from Members and Observers</td><td>1 February 2025</td></tr><tr><td>Revised Revision of <i>Guidelines on the Application of General Principles of Food Hygiene to the Control of Listeria monocytogenes in Foods (CXG 61-2007)</i></td><td>1 May 2025</td></tr><tr><td>Deadline for comments from Members and Observers</td><td>5 July 2025</td></tr><tr><td>EWG report and revised guidelines submitted to the Codex Secretariat</td><td>1 September 2025</td></tr></table>	Registration for EWG	1 August 2024	Draft Revision of <i>Guidelines on the Application of General Principles of Food Hygiene to the Control of Listeria monocytogenes in Foods (CXG 61-2007)</i>	1 December 2024	Deadline for comments from Members and Observers	1 February 2025	Revised Revision of <i>Guidelines on the Application of General Principles of Food Hygiene to the Control of Listeria monocytogenes in Foods (CXG 61-2007)</i>	1 May 2025	Deadline for comments from Members and Observers	5 July 2025	EWG report and revised guidelines submitted to the Codex Secretariat	1 September 2025
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Email for registration	Eric.stevens@fda.hhs.gov												
Registration deadline	1 August 2024												
EWG online platform	Yes												

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this Electronic Working Group. When there is more than one expert, each country or observer organization shall designate **one** as the official representative to participate in the EWG.

¹ Comments in French also accepted

Applications should be sent through the Codex Contact Point (CCP) of the member or recognized observer organization in an email detailing:

- participant's name
- official title or position
- organization or country
- email address.

The EWG platform

Link: <http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php>

Usergroup name: CCFH54 - Revision of Listeria Guidelines (CXG 61-2007)

The platform will require members to login. New participants to the platform should first register. ([online guide](#), [video tutorial](#))

The EWG chair will give participants access to the usergroup online once they have verified their credentials so please ensure that you follow the procedure for applications and email the chair through your CCP even if you are already registered on the platform. Once your CCP has sent your application you can request to join the EWG usergroup directly on the platform. You do not need to create a new registration if you have previously used the platform.

Technical support

For all technical assistance regarding the platform please contact the platform administrator (Codex Secretariat) using the Contact link on the platform homepage or via codex@fao.org.

We look forward to your participation.

Benjamin Warren

Chair of EWG

United States Food and Drug Administration

Co-Chairs of EWG

France, Canada, and China