



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

U.S. Codex Office

Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Milk and Milk Products

AGENCY: U.S. Codex Office, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Codex Office is sponsoring a public meeting on September 17, 2026. The objective of the public meeting is to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items and draft U.S. positions to be discussed at the 11th Session of the Codex Committee on Milk and Milk Products (CCMMP11) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC).

CCMMP11 will be held by correspondence from September 29-October 29, 2026. The U.S. Manager for Codex Alimentarius and the Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs recognize the importance of providing interested parties the opportunity to obtain background information on the 11th Session of the CCMMP and to address items on the agenda.

DATES: The public meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2026, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. ET.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will take place via video teleconference only. Documents related to the 11th Session of the CCMMP will be accessible via the internet at the following address: <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/en/?meeting=CCMMP&session=11>.

Mr. Christopher Thompson, U.S. Delegate to the 11th Session of the CCMMP, invites interested U.S. parties to submit their comments electronically to the following email address:

christopher.d.thompson@usda.gov. Comments should state that they relate to the activities of the 11th Session of the CCMMP.

Registration: Attendees may register to attend the public meeting at the following link:

<https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/Xha-flm2TZmSYrRsXouCag>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

For further information about the 11th Session of the CCMMP, contact the U.S Delegate, Mr. Christopher Thompson, at christopher.d.thompson@usda.gov. For additional information regarding the public meeting, contact the U.S. Codex Office by email at: uscodex@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Codex Alimentarius Commission was established in 1963. Through adoption of food standards, codes of practice, and other guidelines developed by its committees, and by promoting their adoption and implementation by governments, Codex seeks to protect the health of consumers and ensure fair practices in the food trade.

The Terms of Reference of the Codex Committee on Milk and Milk Products are:

- (a) To elaborate world-wide standards, codes and related texts for milk and milk products.

The CCMMP is hosted by New Zealand. The United States attends the CCMMP as a member country of Codex.

Issues to be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following items from the agenda for the 11th Session of the CCMMP will be discussed during the public meeting:

- Adoption of the Agenda
- Proposed draft standard for pasteurized liquid camel milk (Step 4)

Public Meeting

At the September 17, 2026, public meeting, agenda items and draft U.S. positions will be described and discussed, and attendees will have the opportunity to pose questions and offer comments. Written comments may be offered at the meeting or sent to U.S Delegate, Mr.

Christopher Thompson, at christopher.d.thompson@usda.gov. Written comments should state that they relate to activities of the 11th Session of the CCMMP.

Additional Public Notification

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important.

Consequently, the U.S. Codex Office will announce this *Federal Register* publication on-line through the USDA Codex Web page located at: <https://www.usda.gov/codex>.

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