

Temas de interés general

22/06/06

> CE: Natural Mineral Waters Updated

CE – Legislación Nacional

> Belgium: Royal Decree on the control of salmonella in poultry.

> France: Order amending the Order of 5 September 2003 laying down the compulsory implementation of standards (Organic amendments and organic amendments with fertilisers)

> Italy: Draft decision of the National Centre for Computing in Public Administration (CNIPA), laying down: “Technical regulations for the definition of the cryptographic envelope profile for digital signatures in XML language”

> Italy: Draft Ministerial Decree laying down provisions for the approval and installation of appropriate systems for reducing the particulate mass produced by diesel engines intended for the propulsion of motor vehicles

> Spain: Draft Ministerial Decree amending the Order of 2 August 1991, adopting the microbiological standards, the heavy metal content limits and the analytical methods for determining heavy metals in fishery and aquaculture products

> Switzerland: Ordinance on the authorization of allergen products.

16-06-2006

> CE: Plant Health - Common Catalogues of varieties of vegetable species (consolidated version of 7 June 2006)

15-06-2006

> Food Safety: From the Farm to the Fork - Training Strategy - Latin American fish exporters trained in EU import standards

13/06/06

Open Consultations: Food Safety.

> Directive 90/496/EEC on Nutrition Labelling for Foodstuffs: Discussion Paper on the Revision of Technical Issues

> Labelling: competitiveness, consumer information and better regulation for the EU

> Discussion Paper on the setting of maximum and minimum amounts for vitamins and minerals in foodstuffs

06/06/06

> Food Supplements Levels of vitamins and minerals in food supplements Discussion paper

02/06/06

> USDA: Protegiendo la frambuesa negra: Un nuevo virus asociado con una enfermedad llamada el deterioro de la frambuesa negra ha sido identificado por científicos del ARS.

25/05/06

> NIST: Growing Glowing Nanowires to Light Up the Nanoworld, Mass Spectrometry Methods Database Gets Major Update.

24/05/06

> CE: Nutrition claims and conditions applying to them

> CE: Labelling - Better Regulation

> CE: Dietetic Foods Commission Directive 2006/34/EC

> CE: Commission trains Latin American fruit and vegetable exporters on EU import standards

> CE: General guidance on EU import and transit rules for live animals and animal products from third countries

23/05/2006

Próximias Reuniones:

> BIPM World Metrology Day 2006 - 20 May 2006

> CEN 2nd CEN-CENELEC Annual Meeting, 6 - 8 June 2006, Thessaloniki, Greece

> IECEE 9th CMC Meeting. Workshop: “Certification of Electrotechnical Products for the Global Market”. Buenos Aires / Argentina, 21 de Junio de 2006.

- > IECEE 9th CMC Meeting. Buenos Aires / Argentina, 22 y 23 de Junio de 2006
- > Codex Alimentarius
- > CX-702-58 Comité Ejecutivo de la Comisión del Codex Alimentarius 58 Reunión. Ginebra, 28/06/2006
- > WCO - World Customs Exhibition. Brussels (Belgium), 29 June – 1 July 2006
- > OIV - XXIX Congreso Mundial de la Viña y el Vino y 4a Asamblea General de la OIV. Logroño, Junio 2006
- > BIPM Meeting of the bureau of the CIPM, in Turin, Italy. From 7 to 8 July 2006
- > OILM - XVIII IMEKO World Congress Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 17 - 22 September, 2006
- > 70th IEC General Meeting 2006 September 25–29, 2006
- IEC World Standards Day 14 October 2006
- > Fundación Export-ar - **SIAL PARIS 2006**. París, Francia, 22 al 26 de octubre de 2006
- > ITU TELECOM AMERICAS 2006

UE – Legislación Nacional

- > France: Organic amendments and organic amendments with fertilisers
- > Belgium: Royal Decree on the control of salmonella in poultry.
- > The Netherlands: Horticulture Marketing Board (Dutch designation: PT) Regulation on drained weights for preserved mushrooms and sauerkraut 2005
- > Switzerland: Ordinance on the authorization of allergen products.
- > Italy: Draft Ministerial Decree on the technical characteristics of antispray devices intended to be installed on certain categories of motor vehicles and their trailers

16/05/2006

- > EEC - Questions and Answers on Fortified Foods

08/05/2006

> **FDA Reviewing European Study of Sweetener Aspartame.** FDA is evaluating a study of aspartame consumption in rats conducted by the European Ramazzini Foundation (ERF) in which ERF scientists concluded that the sweetener causes cancer and that current uses should be re-evaluated. FDA plans to complete its review of ERF study data and announce its conclusion as soon as possible. A recent review of the ERF data by the European Food Safety Authority stated that the cancer link is not supported by available data and that there is no need to revise daily intake recommendations.

> OIV-02/05/2006: La Unión Europea toma posición acerca de las declaraciones nutricionales y de propiedades saludables en los alimentos. ... Este reglamento menciona por último que « En las *bebidas con una graduación superior al 1,2 % en volumen de alcohol no podrán figurar: a) declaraciones de propiedades saludables, ni b) declaraciones nutricionales diferentes de las que se refieran a una reducción del contenido de alcohol o de energía* »....”

> Posición Común (CE) no 2/2006, de 8 de diciembre de 2005, aprobada por el Consejo de conformidad con el procedimiento establecido en el artículo 251 del Tratado constitutivo de la Comunidad Europea, con vistas a la adopción de un Reglamento del Parlamento Europeo y del Consejo sobre la adición de vitaminas, minerales y otras determinadas sustancias a los alimentos.

> Posición Común (CE) no 3/2006, de 8 de diciembre de 2005, aprobada por el Consejo de conformidad con el procedimiento establecido en el artículo 251 del Tratado constitutivo de la Comunidad Europea, con vistas a la adopción de un Reglamento del Parlamento Europeo y del Consejo relativo a las declaraciones nutricionales y de propiedades saludables en los alimentos

25/04/2006

- > FDA Electronic Labeling Initiative Adopted for Prescription Drugs

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- > BIPM Meeting of the bureau of the CIPM, in Turin, Italy. July 2006.

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> OILM Milestones in Metrology II 14 - 17 May, 2006. Groningen, The Netherlands

> 70th IEC General Meeting 2006 September 25-29, 2006

> WCO/OECD Conference on Transfer Pricing and Customs Valuation. Brussels (Belgium), 3-4 May 2006

> AMN Consultas Cuadro General

> CENELEC Seminar on Electrotechnical Standardisation and Conformity Assessment - CCC Certification and Energy Efficiency Labelling in China.

> CENELEC standards published.

- Codex Alimentarius - Próximas Reuniones:

> Comité del Codex sobre Aditivos Alimentarios y Contaminantes de los Alimentos. 38 Reunión La Haya, 24/04/2006

> Comité del Codex sobre Etiquetado de los Alimentos. 34 Reunión Ottawa, 01/05/2006

> Comité del Codex sobre Residuos de Medicamentos Veterinarios en los Alimentos. 16 Reunión Cancun, 08/05/2006

> Comité del Codex sobre Métodos de Análisis y Toma de Muestras. 27 Reunión Budapest, 15/05/2006

> FDA-Regulated Products Containing Nanotechnology Materials.

> FDA Benzene in Soft Drinks

> INN Normas en consulta pública

> ISO standard on early warning devices to reduce car tyre "blow-out"

> SANCO News GM Food & Feed Quality control procedures for pesticide residues analysis (Doc. SANCO/10232/2006), 24 March 2006

20/04/2006

- Codex Alimentarius - Informes:

> Comité del Codex sobre la Leche y los Productos Lácteos. Reunión 7

> Comité Ejecutivo de la Comisión del Codex Alimentarius. Reunión 57

> Comité del Codex sobre Sistemas de Inspección y Certificación de Importaciones y Exportaciones de Alimentos. Reunión 14

> Comité del Codex sobre Nutrición y Alimentos para Regímenes Especiales. Reunión 27

> Grupo de Acción Intergubernamental Especial sobre Alimentos Obtenidos por Medios Biotecnológicos. Reunión 5

10/04/06

ARS/USDA

> Semillas de soya de bajo ácido linolénico.

> Cultivo de variedades de uvas de colores específicos.

> Control de la mosca blanca

07/04/06

> SANCO News GM Food & Feed - Comments from the Public: Four EFSA opinions on genetically modified maize for food and feed uses have been published on the 3rd of April. In accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 on genetically modified food and feed, the public may make comments on these opinions during 1 month.

03/04/06

> ACOS Workshop VIII - IEC Safety Standards in support of regulatory requirements 22 - 23 May 2006 Beijing, China

30/03/06

> CEN/ISSS Workshop on e-Invoicing. (harmonised approach to the implementation of electronic Invoicing within the Member States)

> NIST TECHBEAT March 30, 2006 Quality Standards Issued For Testing Herbal Products

27/03/06

> Enterprise Europe - Conference "Managing change in the textiles and clothing industry"

24/03/06

> Enterprise Europe - Public consultation on the changes needed to make the Construction Products Directive (CPD) 89/106/EEC

21/03/06

FDA

> Agency Defines Term 'Whole Grain' for Use on Food Labels: FDA has issued guidance for companies that use the term "whole grain" on their food product labels. The agency considers whole grain to be intact, ground, cracked or flaked cereal grains (such as oats, corn, rice and wheat) that contain endosperm, germ and bran in the same proportion as in the intact grain.

ISO

> New ISO 14064 standards provide tools for assessing and supporting greenhouse gas reduction and emissions trading

> ISO guidelines to boost business records management processes

EEC – Food Safety:

> Plant Protection - Pesticide Residues - Commission Directive 2006/30/EC 13 March 2006 amending the Annexes to Council Directives 86/362/EEC, 86/363/EEC and 90/642/EEC as regards maximum residue levels for the benomyl group.

> Residues of Veterinary Medicinal Products - Third Countries - Imports of animals and their products from third countries upon guarantees equivalent to EU requirements on residues Updated

> Novel Foods - List of Notifications of novel foods Updated

> Food Contact Materials - EU and National laws - list of the EU and national legislations Updated

> Food Flavouring - Flavouring Substances Updated

ARS- USDA

> Un ensayo innovador para detectar salmonella en las carnes listas para comer ha sido desarrollado por científicos del ARS. (17/03)

> El uso de surfactantes de grado alimenticio por los científicos del ARS es parte de un nuevo método para eliminar plagas de las cerezas dulces empaquetadas. (1/3)

> Inyectar un azúcar en las ubres de vaca para movilizar la reacción del sistema inmune podría darles a los productores una alternativa a los antibióticos para combatir mastitis. (13/2)

> Un ensayo en forma de una tarjeta plástica mostrando fotos de los ojos de ovejas podría ayudar a frustrar la transmisión del gusano del cuajo. (15/2)

17/02/2006

> Common statement and declaration by the BIPM, OIML and ILAC on the relevance of various international agreements on metrology to trade, legislation and standardization.

> OIV Puesta al día del inventario de las prácticas enológicas tal como ellas existen actualmente, tanto en la norma internacional que constituye el Código Internacional de las Prácticas Enológicas de la OIV como en la reglamentación comunitaria y americana.

10/02/2006

> EU and U.S. organic markets face strong demand under different policies. The article compares EU-15 and US policies regarding organic agriculture, and compares the farm sector and retail markets in the two regions.

> "The World Bids Farewell to the Multifiber Arrangement," reviews the genesis and implications of the Multifibre Arrangement (MFA) in the context of the recent removal of the textile import quotas by the United States, the European Union, and Canada. The implications for cotton trade and trade with China, India, and other developing countries are discussed.

> ARS Sorgo con resistencia a antracnosis: Científicos del ARS han descubierto algunas fuentes claves de resistencia del sorgo a la enfermedad antracnosis.

> IEC - Rural Electrification

IEC - A timely series of IEC Technical Specifications aimed at increasing the well-being of rural populations coincides with latest reports coming out of the December 2005 World Trade Organization talks in Hong Kong on improving the lot of farmers in developing countries.

> IEC wants digital rights management to enhance products and services

In February , the IEC, in cooperation with ISO, will be conducting a market survey on the understanding and use of DRM among its member countries. It is hoped that the results of this survey will enable both the IEC and ISO to develop a better understanding of the current situation in the market place, and, if so decided, take the necessary steps to implement effective digital rights management.

08/02/2006

France

- Order laying down the conditions for the importation and transit, in France, of apiculture products intended for human consumption

- Order laying down the conditions for importation, into France, of apiculture products not intended for human consumption or apiculture

Italy

- Draft Decree amending the Decree of 21 September 2005 regulating the production and sale of certain processed pork products

United Kingdom

- Voluntary Front of Pack Signpost Nutrition Labelling System

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30/01/2006

> Directive 2005/32/EC - Requirements for energy-using products: Eco-Design Consultation Forum. Deadline for applications: 31 March 2006.

> EEC - Guidance Document - Key questions related to import requirements and the new rules on food hygiene and official food controls. Updated 23-01-2006

> ARS – USDA: La fuente de brotes de brucelosis: Identificar fuentes potenciales de los brotes de brucelosis ahora es más fácil, gracias a una técnica desarrollada por científicos del Departamento de Agricultura de EE.UU.

23/01/2006

> Francia: Draft Decree on salt for human consumption

> Francia: Draft Order on nutritional substances which can be used to fortify edible salt

> Francia: Draft Order on the commercial quality of pineapples

> Italia: Draft Decree of the Minister for Agriculture and Forestry in concert with the Minister for Production Activities on the origin and provenance of fresh tomatoes used in the production of "Tomato passata"

> Italia: Regulation on the hygiene control of aluminium materials and items intended to come into contact with foodstuffs

12/01/2006

> EEC List of competent authorities of the Member States within the meaning of Article 4(6) of Directive 2002/46 on food supplements Updated 06/01/2006

> EEC Microbiological Criteria related Directives and Decisions: Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005 on microbiological criteria for foodstuffs (Text with EEA relevance)

- > International Trade Forum - New articles on textiles and clothing
- Sourcing - A Must for Clothing Suppliers - For developing country suppliers, no other service may be more important than sourcing to compete in the post-2005 era.
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04/01/2006

- > Food Labels Now Required to Include Plain-Language Allergen Listing
FDA is now requiring manufacturers to state in plain language on food labels whether their products contain any of eight major food allergens: milk, eggs, fish, crustacean shellfish, tree nuts, peanuts, wheat, or soybeans. The agency says the new labeling should be especially helpful to children with allergies who must learn what foods to avoid. The labeling requirement, which became effective Jan. 1, is the result of a 2004 allergen labeling law.
EEC – TRIS:
- > España: Proyecto de Real Decreto por el que se aprueban las normas de calidad para quesos y quesos fundidos
- > Francia: Proyecto de decreto relativo a los productos compuestos por una golosina y por elementos no comestibles unidos a ésta en el momento de su consumo
- > Suecia: Reglamento por el que se modifica el reglamento (1999:58) relativo a la prohibición de determinadas sustancias nocivas

03/01/2006

- > ITU Requisitos y protocolos de señalización. Ginebra, 23-27 enero 2006
- > Foro Económico Mundial: dominar nuestro futuro (Mastering Our Future), con la participación de la OCDE Davos, 25-29 de enero 2006
- > Comisión del Comercio de Bienes y Servicios y de los Productos Básicos, décimo período de sesiones, Ginebra, 6-10-2006