



National Codex Comittee: Jamaica

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Background

- **The Bureau of Standards Jamaica (BSJ) is the Codex Contact Point and hosts the Secretariat of the National Codex Committee (NCC).**
- **The NCC was officially launched on 8 December 2004.**
- **The NCC coordinates Codex activities within Jamaica through the establishment of local sub-committees.**



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Background

- The Bureau of Standards Jamaica (BSJ) is the Codex Contact
- The NCC meets on a bi-monthly basis- Last Wednesday



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**Ministry of
Health and Wellness (MOHW)**

**Ministry of Agriculture &
Fisheries
(MOAF)**



**Ministry of
Industry, Investment and
Commerce, (MIIC).**

**Ministry of Foreign Affairs
& Foreign Trade (MFAFT)**



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Functions of NCC

Formulate National responses to Proposals and Policies

Acts as a consultative body to the government

Appoint Technical Sub-Committees to facilitate national participation

Nominate delegates to represent Jamaica at Codex Meetings

Provide guidance on Technical Matters to Private Sector

Establish Mechanism to promote Jamaican Standards for adoption as International Standards



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Structure of NCC

**GOVERNMENT
AGENCIES**

NON-GOVERNMENT

ACADEMIA

PRIVATE SECTOR



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Active Sub-Committees

- Food Labelling (CCFL)
- Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CCMAS)
- Food Import and Export Inspection Certification Systems (CCFICS)
- Food Hygiene (CCFH)
- Pesticides Residue (CCPR)
- Food Additives (CCFA)
- Contaminants (CCCF)
- Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU)
- Residues of Veterinary Drugs (CCRVDF)
- Fish and Fishery Products (CCFFP)
- Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (CCFFV)
- Spices and Culinary Herbs (CCSCH)



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Inactive Sub-Committees: WIP

- General Principles (CCGP)
- Fats and Oils (CCFO)
- Processed Fruits and Vegetables (CCPFV)



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Recent Activities

- World Food Safety Day 2022
- Consultation with IICA
- CCAFRICA/CCLAC/US Codex Alimentarius Colloquium
on Culinary Spices and Herbs
- Codex Trust Fund Meeting



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Current/Upcoming Activities

- CAC45
- eWG: National Registration of Pesticides for Periodic Review by JMPR (CCPR)
- eWG: Review of methods in CXS 234 - 1999: Request for comments on the fats and oils workable package (CCMAS)
- eWG: Development of a proposed draft standard for fresh curry leaves (CCFFV)
- vWGs for CCSC6



Benefits of Codex Participation

- Regional collaboration on important food safety matters
- Increase in technical capacity through engaging in technical discussions
- Promotion of private and public stakeholders collaboration
- Fair say in standard development



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Challenges

- **Human resources**
Only 2 members currently
- **Language barrier**



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Opportunities

- Increasing technical capacity through partnerships with other jurisdictions and training
- Solutions to reducing the language barriers such as Spanish language training



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Thank you for listening...

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