



DECISION No DEC-III.4/111-VI/2020

**REVISING THE TRADE STANDARD APPLYING TO
OLIVE OILS AND OLIVE POMACE OILS**

THE COUNCIL OF MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLIVE COUNCIL,

Having regard to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 2015, in particular article 1 “Objectives of the Agreement” concerning standardisation and research, as regards achieving uniformity in national and international legislation in the physico-chemical and organoleptic characteristics of olive oil, olive pomace oil and table olives in order to prevent barriers to trade, and in particular Chapter VI “Standardisation provisions”;

Having regard to the recommendations made by the Chemistry and Standardisation Committee at its 6th meeting during the 110th session of the Council of Members, with a view to adopting the decision tree for refined olive oils and olive oils composed of refined olive oils and virgin olive oils of delta-7-stigmastenol;

Considering the work carried out by the chemists on the application of these methods and the studies on lampante virgin olive oils presenting abnormal parameters;

Considering the chemistry experts designated by the Members reached a unanimous position at their meeting on 3 and 4 October 2019, on the proposal to apply the decision tree for refined olive oils and olive oils composed of refined olive oils and virgin olive oils of delta-7-stigmastenol;

DECIDES

1. The trade standard applying to olive oils and olive-pomace oils COI/T.15/NC No. 3/Rev. 15, appended hereto, shall be adopted, replacing and revoking the trade standard applying to olive oils and olive pomace oils COI/T.15/NC No. 3/Rev. 14 of November 2019;
2. Subject to their respective legislations the Member shall make all the relevant provisions for the application of the standard adopted and shall communicate these provisions to Executive Secretariat when they are implemented;
3. Non-member countries interested in the international trade of olive oils and olive-pomace oils are invited to take the Standard adopted into consideration and to adapt their regulations to the provisions of said Standard.

Madrid (Spain), 1st July 2020