



**DECISION N°. DEC-III. 2/116-VI/2022**

**REVISING THE TRADING STANDARD FOR OLIVE OIL AND OLIVE-POMACE OIL**

**THE COUNCIL OF MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLIVE COUNCIL,**

**Having regard to** the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives 2015, and in particular its article 1 'Objectives of the Agreement' on standardisation and research, concerning the standardisation of national and international legislation relating to the physico-chemical and organoleptic characteristics of olive oils, olive-pomace oils and table olives in order to avoid any obstacle to trade, and its Chapter VI 'Provisions concerning standardisation';

**Having regard to** the recommendation made by the Committee on Chemistry and Standardisation at its 11th meeting during the 116th session of the Council of Members;

**Considering** the work carried out by the chemists on the application of methods and studies on olive oils with non-standard parameters;

**Considering** the unanimous position of the expert chemists appointed by Members, formulated at the expert chemists' meeting of 10 and 11 March 2022, on:

- The removal of Annex 1 and the simplification of the delta 7 stigmastenol decision trees.
- The inclusion of revision 3 of the method on the determination of waxes and ethyl esters.

**Considering** the work carried out by the expert chemists as part of the collaborative trials on the validation of the method to determine waxes and ethyl esters by the revision COI/T.20/Doc. No. 28/Rev. 3 'Determination of the content of waxes and methyl and ethyl esters of fatty acids by capillary column gas chromatography';

**DECIDES**

1. To adopt the Trade Standard for Olive Oils and Olive Pomace Oils COI/T.15/NC No. 3/Rev. 19, attached to this decision, which replaces and repeals the Trade Standard for Olive Oils and Olive Pomace Oils COI/T.15/NC No. 3/Rev. 18 of June 2022;
2. Members shall, subject to their respective legislation, take all relevant measures to implement the adopted Standard and shall communicate these measures to the



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Executive Secretariat once they are implemented;

3. Non-Member States interested in international trade in olive oils and olive-pomace oils are invited to take the adopted Standard into consideration and to adapt their regulations to the provisions of this Standard.

Jaén (Spain), 30 November 2022

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