



Decision DEC-III. 10/123-VI /2026

Revising the rules for granting IOC institutional patronage to national extra virgin olive oil quality competitions organised by the competent authorities of the member countries

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" on standardisation and research, concerning the standardisation of national and international legislation;

Considering Decision DEC-17/S. ex 27-V/2016 adopted by the Council of Members on 16 July 2016 on the IOC's institutional patronage of national competitions;

Having regard to the agreement of the Council of Members on the proposal to grant institutional patronage to national competitions organised by the competent authorities of the countries;

Considering the experience acquired by the IOC in organising competitions for extra virgin olive oils;

Considering the increasing number of national and international quality competitions held around the world;

Considering the media impact and influence on consumers of the awards granted as a result of the various competitions;

Considering the unanimous proposal made by the experts in organoleptic assessment at their meeting on 5 and 6 May 2026 to revise the rules for the IOC's institutional patronage of national extra virgin olive oil quality competitions;



Decides

1. To revise the rules for the IOC's institutional patronage of national extra virgin olive oil quality competitions organised by the competent authorities of the member countries;
2. To adopt the revised rules for IOC institutional patronage of national competitions (COI/T.30-2 /Doc. No. 6 of June 2026), annexed to this decision;
3. The IOC will assess the advisability of granting its institutional patronage to national competitions organised by the competent authorities of member countries, on the basis of the criteria established in those rules;
4. This decision repeals Decision DEC-III.6/121-VI /2025 of 8 July 2025 on the IOC's institutional patronage of national competitions.



Lisbon, 30 June 2026

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