

European Union comments on
CL 2023/54/OCS-CAC:
Request for comments at Step 8 on the Draft Regional Standard for
Fermented Noni Fruit Juice

European Union Competence
European Union Vote

The European Union (EU) would like to provide the following comments:

In the EU, the juice of the noni fruit (*Morinda citrifolia* L.) was authorised by Commission Decision 2003/426/EC¹ and it was subsequently included in the Union list of novel foods² once the current Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on novel foods³ became applicable. Under that authorisation the fermentation step is optional.

¹ Commission Decision of 5 June 2003 authorising the placing on the market of "noni juice" (juice of the fruit of *Morinda citrifolia* L.) as a novel food ingredient under Regulation (EC) No 258/97 of the European Parliament and of the Council <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32003D0426>

² Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 of 20 December 2017 establishing the Union list of novel foods in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of the European Parliament and of the Council on novel foods https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2017/2470/oj

³ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32015R2283>