

CODEX COMMITTEE ON FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

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European Union Comments on

Agenda Item 7:

**PROPOSED DRAFT CODEX STANDARD FOR YAM
(CL 2019/65/OCS-FFV)**

*Mixed Competence
Member State Vote*

The European Union and its Member States (EUMS) oppose allowing a tolerance for decay in “Extra” Class for yam. A tolerance for decay in "Extra" class would not be in line with the concept of “Extra” Class, which is a special status granted to products of exceptionally high quality. As yam in particular is not prone to decay at stages after preparation and packaging, a tolerance for decay in "Extra" class is not justified.