

CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION
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European Union Comments on

Agenda Item 8:

**CCFFP: Standards for canned tuna and bonito (Codex STAN 70-1981) and
for canned crab meat (Codex STAN 90-1981):
Disodium diphosphate (INS 450(i)) and phosphoric acid (INS 338)**

***European Union Competence
European Union Vote***

The European Union (EU) appreciates the clarification of the Codex Secretariat that the maximum level for disodium diphosphate and phosphoric acid was 10 g/kg and not 10 mg/kg as erroneously displayed in the two Standards published. Therefore, the EU can accept the correction as regards the maximum use level together with the editorial changes which were agreed at CCFFP34.

Taking into account that the default level is 10 g/kg and not 10 mg/kg the EU considers that it is appropriate to be more precise when converting the maximum use level from P₂O₅ to P and suggests the ML of 4 400 mg/kg expressed as phosphorus.

The provisions for disodium diphosphate and phosphoric acid would then read as follows:

Standard for Canned Tuna and Bonito CODEX STAN 70-1981 (GSFA FC 09.4)

450(i)	Disodium diphosphate	4 400 mg/kg as phosphorus (includes natural phosphate)
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Standard for Canned Crab Meat CODEX STAN 90-1981 (GSFA FC 09.4)

338	Phosphoric acid	4 400 mg/kg as phosphorus, singly or in combination
450(i)	Disodium diphosphate	(includes natural phosphate)