

# Annex D. Comparison of the FAO and WHO guidelines for information requirements with Mexico's requirements

**Table A D.1. FAO and Who Guidelines comparison with Mexican requirements**

FAO and WHO guidelines	Mexico's requirements
Applicant's company name, company address, contact name, telephone number and e-mail address	X
Trade name, brand name or trademark of the product	X
Common name (International Organization for Standardization [ISO]), International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) name, and Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) name and number of the active ingredient	X
Names of all co-formulants in the product and whether they influence the toxicity of the product	Information on composition is required
Type of formulation (e.g. soluble concentrate, wettable powder, emulsifiable concentrate)	X
Function of the product (e.g. herbicide, insecticide, fungicide) and target pest species	X (for biochemical pesticides, microbial pesticides, botanical pesticides and miscellaneous pesticides)
Site of the application (e.g. maize, greenhouse tomatoes, houses for termite control, mosquito larvicidal applications to water)	X (for biochemical pesticides, microbial pesticides, botanical pesticides and miscellaneous pesticides)
Application rate per unit treated and concentration of active ingredient in the material as applied (for example, if the product is diluted before the application)	
Application and mixing instructions	X (a physical compatibility study in tank mixture with recommended pesticides is required)
Number, frequency and timing of applications (e.g. per year, per month, per crop cycle) and duration of protection expected	X (as part of biological efficacy data)
Proposed instructions on how to use the product, including in a manner that protects human health and the environment (e.g. buffer zones; personal protective equipment)	X (as part of the proposed label)
A statement about any risk arising from the recommended methods and precautions and handling procedures, in order to minimize those risks (e.g. precautionary statements of the GHS)	X (as part of the proposed label)
A statement about any risk for the development of resistance in the pest, resistance prevention methods and 'mode of action' codes	
Procedures for cleaning application equipment, if relevant to the proposed use	
Withholding periods, pre-harvest intervals, re-entry periods (e.g. after space spray for mosquito control), waiting periods (to avoid damage to or residues in succeeding crops) and other precautions to protect people, livestock and the environment	Re-entry time for treated places to be provided for biochemical pesticides, microbial pesticides, botanical pesticides and miscellaneous pesticides
Disposal procedures, detailed actions in the event of an accident during transport, storage or use and decontamination procedures for use in the event of accidental spillage or fire	X (as part of safety data sheet requested for biological efficacy data)
Information on antidotes, if any, and medical treatment in the case of accidental exposure; names of co-formulants that may influence the toxicity of the product	X (as part of the proposed label)
Proposed hazard classification, labelling and safety phrases and symbols	X
Proposed complete, commercial label, packaging sizes, and materials and specimens of proposed packaging	Proposed label is required

FAO and WHO guidelines	Mexico's requirements
Information on whether the application is to import or manufacture (including repacking, formulating and manufacturing from raw materials) the pesticide product. If the application is for manufacturing, the applicant should give the location of the manufacturing plant	X

Source: Author, based on (FAO & WHO, 2013<sup>[1]</sup>; Mexican Congress (Congreso de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos), 2014<sup>[2]</sup>; COFEPRIS<sup>[3]</sup>).

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