

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FOOD SUPPLY  
MINISTER'S OFFICE  
NORMATIVE INSTRUCTION No. 37, OF AUGUST 2, 2011  
D.O.U., August 03, 2011 - Section 1

THE STATE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FOOD SUPPLY, exercising the power conferred upon him by art. 87, sole paragraph, clause II, of the Constitution, in view of the provisions of Law No. 10,831, of December 23, 2003, Decree No. 6,323 of December 27, 2007, and the provisions of Process No. 21000.009484/2010-11, resolves:

CHAPTER I

OF THE SCOPE OF APPLICATION

Art. 1 To establish the Technical Regulation for Edible Mushroom Production in Organic Production Systems, in the form of this Normative Instruction.

Art. 2 The extraction of wild mushrooms must meet the principles established in the Joint Normative Instruction which provides about the technical standards for obtaining organic products originated from organic sustainable extractivism.

CHAPTER II

OF THE PRODUCTION

Art. 3 As a covering material and in the formulation of substrates for organic mushroom production may only be used present products and substances, and in the conditions established in the Annex dealing with substances and products approved for use in fertilization and correction of soil in organic production systems, of the Normative Instruction which regulates organic animal and plant production.

Art. 4 The soil used in the substrate must be from identified sites and subject to inspection by the Organic Conformity Assessment Body (CAB) or Social Control Organization (SCO), not being possible to be subject to treatment with prohibited products in the Organic Production in the last three years.

Art. 5 The wood used in the substrate or production as logs, and the wood used for steam production, may not have been subjected to treatment with prohibited products for organic agriculture and should be originated from legal extraction.

Art. 6 The water used in the production of the substrate as well as in the irrigation must be proved drinkable by laboratory analysis.

Art. 7 The levels of heavy metals in the substrate or covering material shall not exceed the levels set for organic compounds in the Annex dealing with the reference values used as maximum contaminant levels allowed in organic compounds, biodigester residues, decantation and fermentation pond residues, and excrements from the breeding system with intensive use of food and products from non-organic systems, of the Normative Instruction which regulates organic animal and plant production.

Sole paragraph. It will be mandatory the product analyzes for the presence of heavy metals, with frequency determined by risk analysis developed by the CAB or SCO.

Art. 8 The use of ionizing radiation for sterilization of substrates, of the covering layer, as well as for sterilization of products is prohibited.

Art. 9 The final destination of the substrate and slurry should not cause environmental damage and should be in accordance with the rules established by the environmental agency.

Art. 10. Inocula acquired outside of the production unit should be from regularized producer for such purpose and be accompanied by document attesting the origin of the product.

Sole paragraph. The use of inoculum from transgenic material is prohibited.

Art. 11. For the pest control, can only be used substances and practices contained in the Annex dealing with the permitted substances and practices for management and control of pests and diseases in plants under organic production systems, of the Normative Instruction which regulates the organic plant and animal production.

Art. 12. The use of ionizing radiation or microwaves in the sterilization and drying of the product is prohibited.

### CHAPTER III

#### OF THE PROCESSING AND STORAGE

Art. 13. The processing, storage and transport of organic mushrooms must conform to what is established by the Joint Normative Instruction dealing with the processing, storage and transport of organic products.

Art. 14. 6 This Normative Instruction enters into force on the date of its publication.

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