

APPENDIX IV-PART A

**PROPOSED DRAFT MAXIMUM LEVELS FOR METHYLMERCURY IN FISH
INCLUDING ASSOCIATED SAMPLING PLANS**

(AT STEP 5/8)

MLs FOR METHYLMERCURY IN THE FOLLOWING SPECIES OF FISH

Commodity / Product Name	Maximum Level (ML) (mg/kg)	Portion of the Commodity/Product to which the ML Applies	Notes/Remarks
Tuna	1.2	Whole commodity fresh or frozen (in general after removing the digestive tract)	Countries or importers may decide to use their own screening when applying the ML for methylmercury in fish by analysing total mercury in fish. If the total mercury concentration is below or equal to the ML for methylmercury, no further testing is required and the sample is determined to be compliant with the ML. If the total mercury concentration is above the ML for methylmercury, follow-up testing shall be conducted to determine if the methylmercury concentration is above the ML. The ML also applies to fresh or frozen fish intended for further processing. Countries should consider developing nationally relevant consumer advice for women of childbearing age and young children to supplement the ML.
Alfonsino	1.5		
Marlin	1.7		
Shark	1.6		