



## DECISION RULES FOR THE EVALUATION OF CONFORMITY

When the results are used to assess the conformity of a sample, the measurement of uncertainty can be taken into account when interpreting the result against a legislation or specification. There are several methodologies for using uncertainty in conformity assessment. To these different ways of using the uncertainty, we call decision rules.

**LET's** decision rule for olive oils and olive-pomace oils is in accordance to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/2105 and subsequent amendments. The Regulation states that, *“For the purpose of determining the characteristics of olive oil by the methods set out in Annex I to this Regulation, the results of the analyses shall be directly compared with the limits set out in Annex I to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/2104”*.

**Therefore, when evaluating the results of a sample according to the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/2104 specifications and subsequent amendments, the test results are directly compared with the limits laid down in the same regulation, without taking into account the value of uncertainty.**

**LET** is going to consider the same decision rule for the other matrices and for other used specifications (including MAPA's Normative Instruction N° 1 from 30<sup>th</sup> January 2012), that is, it compares the obtained value directly with the limit value without taking into account the uncertainty value.

**If the customer wants to have a different decision rule from the one previously described, he must inform LET in writing.**

**If the customer does not intend to have the evaluation of conformity in the test report, he must tick the existing box for this purpose in the analysis request form or formally inform the laboratory in writing.**

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The technical responsible for the laboratory