



Statistics Committee
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London, United Kingdom

**Article 2 of the
International Coffee Agreement 2007:
Conversion factors for roasted, decaffeinated,
liquid and soluble coffee**

Background

1. In accordance with the provisions of Article 2 of the International Coffee Agreement 2007, the Council shall, as soon as possible after the Agreement enters into force, and again at intervals of three years after such date, review the conversion factors for the types of coffee listed in sub-paragraphs (d), (e), (f) and (g) of the Article.
2. The Statistics Committee last discussed this matter in 2011 and, in consultation with the Private Sector Consultative Board (PSCB), recommended to the Council that it should approve revised conversion factors. At its 107th Session in September 2011, the Council approved the introduction of conversion factors of 1.25 and 2.73 to convert decaffeinated roasted and decaffeinated soluble coffee into green bean equivalent, respectively, with effect from 1 October 2011 (see document [ED-2123/11](#)).
3. The Committee may wish to consult the PSCB on this technical matter once again in order to obtain the views of the coffee industry on this issue. The matter has been included on the agenda of the PSCB for its 39th meeting on 24 September 2014.
4. The list of conversion factors used under the 2007 Agreement is attached as an Annex.

Action

The Statistics Committee is requested to review the conversion factors for roasted, decaffeinated, liquid and soluble coffee.

**CONVERSION FACTORS FOR ROASTED, DECAFFEINATED,
LIQUID AND SOLUBLE COFFEE
TO BE USED UNDER THE 2007 AGREEMENT**

Roasted coffee

To convert roasted coffee into green bean equivalent, multiply the net weight of roasted coffee by 1.19.

Decaffeinated coffee

To convert green decaffeinated coffee into green bean equivalent, multiply the net weight of the green decaffeinated coffee by 1.05. To convert decaffeinated roasted and decaffeinated soluble coffee into green bean equivalent, multiply their net weight by 1.25 or 2.73, respectively.

Liquid coffee

To convert liquid coffee into green bean equivalent, multiply the net weight of the dried coffee solids contained in the liquid coffee by 2.6.

Soluble coffee

To convert soluble coffee into green bean equivalent, multiply the net weight of the soluble coffee by 2.6.