

Healthier food and healthier food environments at sports events

An action guide for sports event organizers

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Why should there be healthier food and healthier food environments at sports events?



- Food and beverage is an essential part of sports events
- Foods and beverages high in fats, sugars or salt are abundant and often highly marketed during sports events
- Fans prefer a greater variety of foods, including healthier options at competitive prices as part of celebrating their team

Overview of the action guide

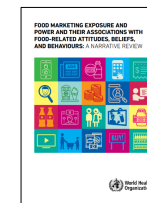
- Main audience: sports event organizers
- **What** to do
 - Menu of ⑤ actions to improve food and food environments
 - Nutrition criteria to define the 5 actions
- **How** to implement these actions
 - Planning phase
 - Operational phase
 - Post-event phase
- Examples from the FIFA World Cup 2022™ in Qatar
- And more: recipe cards, assessment tool, indicators, etc.



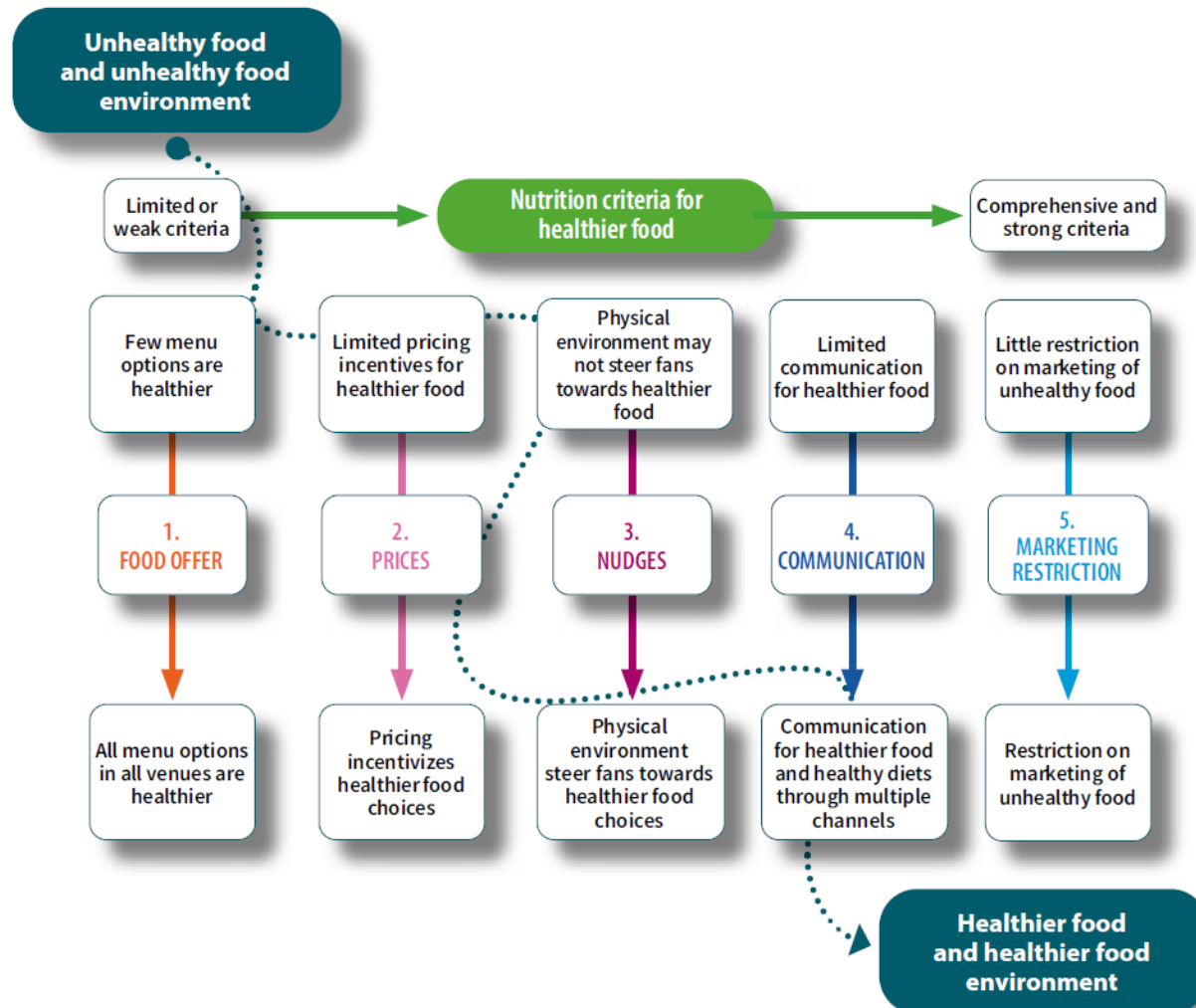
What to do - a menu of five actions

Setting nutrition criteria for healthier food

- 1 Improving the **food offer**
- 2 Setting **prices** to incentivize healthier food choices
- 3 **Nudging** to promote healthier food choices
- 4 **Communicating** and promoting healthier food and health
- 5 **Restricting marketing** of foods and beverages high in fats, sugars or salt



Stepwise approaches towards improving the food offer and food environments



Scaling up the actions over time:

- More comprehensive and stronger nutrition criteria
- More healthier menu options
- Pricing and context-specific nudges for healthier choices
- Wide communication on healthier food and comprehensive restriction of marketing of unhealthy food
- Mandatory approaches



Thank you!

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