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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Wool, neither carded nor combed (HS code(s): 5101); Fine or coarse animal hair, neither carded nor combed (excl. wool, hair and bristles used in the manufacture of brooms and brushes, and horsehair from the mane or tail) (HS code(s): 5102); Waste of wool or of fine or coarse animal hair, incl. yarn waste (excl. garnetted stock, waste of hair and bristles used in the manufacture of brooms and brushes, and of horsehair from the mane or tail) (HS code(s): 5103)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: The introduction of risk-based import checks on hair and wool produced from animals other than those of porcine species, due to the risk of introducing diseases that can be transmitted via untreated wool and hair. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 8 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/risk-categories-for-animal-and-animal-product-imports-to-great-britain
6. Description of content: All consignments of untreated hair and wool produced from animals, other than those of porcine species, will be categorised as medium risk under the BTOM. This change will mean that all consignments will now be subject to routine checks at the border as per the BTOM rules for medium risk goods. This will not introduce any new import documentation requirements, a commercial document or importer declaration will continue to be required as per the import requirements laid down in assimilated Regulation (EU) 142/2011. Consignments will continue to require prenotification on IPAFFS. To note, the hair of porcine species was already categorised as medium risk under the BTOM and the import requirements for associated products should continue to be applied.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.

<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CXG 82-2013, CXG 47-2003, CHG 20-1996</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Article 5.7.4 (6) of the WOAH terrestrial code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 21 February 2025</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 24 February 2025</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 31 October 2025</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 April 2025</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>UK WTO SPS National Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Seacole Building 2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF E-mail: uksps@defra.gov.uk Website: https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>UK WTO SPS National Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Seacole Building 2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF E-mail: uksps@defra.gov.uk Website: https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs</p>