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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (Thai FDA)
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): Food in general (ICS code: 67.040)
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: Draft MOPH Notification, No. ... B.E., Re: Prescribed foods which have criteria, condition, and method of use in food produced for sale, imported for sale or sold. Language(s): Thai and English. Number of pages: 1 and 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/THA/25_05034_00_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/THA/25_05034_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: In order to update and comply with international standards, the Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) is proposing to revise the MOPH Notifications, as follows: The provision in (2) of Clause 2 of the Ministry of Public Health Notification No. 390 (B.E. 2561), issued under the Food Act B.E. 2522, concerning the Prescribed foods which have criteria, condition, and method of use in food produced for sale, imported for sale or sold, dated 31 August 2018, shall be repealed and replaced with the following: Methyl alcohol (methyl alcohol) or methanol shall be permitted for use only as a processing aid in the production of the following foods: (a) Food additives, according to the Ministry of Public Health Notification on Food Additives; (b) Foods that have undergone safety assessment; (c) Foods intended for export.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Codex General Standard for Food Additives and some chemical substances evaluated by JECFA <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):

<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: Notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No.390) B.E 2561 (2018) entitled "Prescribed foods which have criteria, condition, and method of use in food produced for sale, imported for sale or sold" as notified G/SPS/N/THA/249/Add.1 dated 19 March 2019</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): The day after its publication in the Royal Thai Government Gazette.</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): 27 September 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>National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) 50 Phaholyothin Road, Ladyao Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900; Thailand Tel: +(662) 561 4204 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: spsthailand@acfs.go.th spsthailand@gmail.com Websites: http://www.acfs.go.th http://www.spsthailand.acfs.go.th/</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>National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) 50 Phaholyothin Road, Ladyao Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900; Thailand Tel: +(662) 561 4204 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: spsthailand@acfs.go.th spsthailand@gmail.com Websites: http://www.acfs.go.th http://www.spsthailand.acfs.go.th/</p>