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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: CHINA
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China (NHC)
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 additive Ascorbyl palmitate
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: National Food Safety Standard of the P.R.C.: Food additive Ascorbyl palmitate. Language(s): Chinese. Number of pages: 7
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/CHN/25 05738 00 x.pdf
6.	Description of content: This standard is applicable to the food additive ascorbyl palmitate, which is prepared by reacting palmitic acid with thionyl chloride to obtain palmitoyl chloride, followed by a reaction with ascorbic acid, or prepared by enzymatic catalysis using palmitic acid (or ethyl palmitate) and ascorbic acid as raw materials.
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
	[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): JECFA 2006
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
	[] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
	[] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[X] Yes [] No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 November 2025

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