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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>PHILIPPINES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture - Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
3.	<b>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):</b> Fish and fishery products (ICS code: 67.120)
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Fisheries Administrative Order No. 273, Series of 2025 - Rules and Regulations Governing the Exportation of Fish and Fishery/Aquatic (FFA) Products Intended for Human Consumption. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 23 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/PHL/26_00498_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/PHL/26_00498_00_e.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This order lays down specific hygiene rules of primary and post-harvest stages of fish and fishery/aquatic (FFA) products to be compiled by all fishery and aquaculture business operators (FABO) intending to export fish and fishery/aquatic (FFA) products for human consumption regardless of country of destination.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <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.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> General Principles of Food Hygiene. Codex Alimentarius Code of Practice, No.CXC 1-1969 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<b>9.</b>	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 8 July 2025 <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 17 July 2026
<b>11.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 April 2026 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
<b>12.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <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:  Office of the Director Policy Research Service Department of Agriculture Elliptical Road, Diliman, Quezon City Tel: +(632) 8 926 7439 Fax: +(632) 8 928 0590 E-mail: <a href="mailto:spspilipinas@da.gov.ph">spspilipinas@da.gov.ph</a> <a href="mailto:spspilipinas@gmail.com">spspilipinas@gmail.com</a>
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