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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
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): Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding (HS code(s): 2309)
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 Commission Implementing Regulation amending and correcting Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1097 as regards the terms of the authorisation of lutein-rich and lutein/zeaxanthin extracts from <i>Tagetes erecta</i> as feed additives for poultry (except turkeys) for fattening and laying and for minor poultry species for fattening and laying and amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1928 as regards the terms of the authorisation of lutein-rich extract of <i>Tagetes erecta</i> L. for turkeys for fattening (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 8 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/EEC/26_01112_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/EEC/26_01112_01_e.pdf
6. Description of content: Lutein-rich and lutein/zeaxanthin extracts from <i>Tagetes erecta</i> were authorised for 10 years as feed additives for poultry (except turkeys) for fattening and laying and for minor poultry species for fattening and laying by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1097. In addition, a preparation of lutein-rich extract of <i>Tagetes erecta</i> L. was authorised for 10 years as a feed additive for turkeys for fattening by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1928. Some amendments and corrections to the two Implementing Regulations are considered necessary to align their provisions based on the substantial similarities in the manufacturing process and composition of the authorised additives: mention of the presence of hexane as solvent and limit thereof in the additives, more accurate description of the additives authorised as preparations, removal of the reference to xanthophylls and update of the method of analysis of lutein in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1097; and alignment of the identification number of the additive lutein-rich extract of <i>Tagetes erecta</i> in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1928.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety , <input checked="" 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.

<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): Code of practice on Good Animal Feeding CAC/RCP 54-2004</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</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? <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: Commission Implementing Regulations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1097 of 24 July 2020 concerning the authorisation of lutein-rich and lutein/zeaxanthin extracts from <i>Tagetes erecta</i> as feed additives for poultry (except turkeys) for fattening and laying and for minor poultry species for fattening and laying (Text with EEA relevance) (OJ L 241, 27.7.2020, p. 23; ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2020/1097/oj). • Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1928 of 25 September 2025 concerning the authorisation of a preparation of lutein-rich extract of <i>Tagetes erecta</i> L. as a feed additive for turkeys for fattening (OJ L, 2025/1928, 26.9.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2025/1928/oj). <p>Scientific Opinions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety and efficacy of lutein and lutein/zeaxanthin extracts from <i>Tagetes erecta</i> for poultry for fattening and laying (except turkeys). EFSA Journal 2019;17(5):5698. https://doi.org/10.2903/j.efsa.2019.5698. • Safety and efficacy of a feed additive consisting of lutein-rich extract of <i>Tagetes erecta</i> L. for turkeys for fattening (EW Nutrition). EFSA Journal, 22(10), e9027. https://doi.org/10.2903/j.efsa.2024.9027. (available in English)
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): July 2026 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): July 2026</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.</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): 25 April 2026</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>European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>

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