



NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>ALBANIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
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): Aquatic plant species and aquatic animal species
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: Detailed rules for the organic production of algae and aquaculture species. Language(s): Albanian. Number of pages: 20 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/ALB/26_01305_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: This instruction defines the production rules for the organic production of aquatic plant species and aquatic animal species, and in particular for the species: fish, crustaceans (such as crabs, shrimps and lobsters), echinoderms and molluscs. Draft instruction "On Detailed rules for the organic production of algae and aquaculture species" is partially approximated with Part III, of Annex II, of Regulation (EU) 2018/848 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on organic production and labelling of organic products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007.
7. Objective and rationale: <input 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.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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): 20 May 2026 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 5 June 2026
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 October 2026 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 May 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development General Directorate in the Field of Food Safety, Veterinary, Plant Protection and Fishery Tel: +(355) 4 2226 911 E-mail: info@bujgesia.gov.al Website: http://www.bujgesia.gov.al
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