



NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: CHINA If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: National Health Commission (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 Paprika orange
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 Paprika orange. Language(s): Chinese. Number of pages: 13 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/CHN/26_02501_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: This standard applies to food additive Paprika orange, obtained by supercritical fluid (carbon dioxide) or solvent extraction, filtration, concentration, decapsaicin, etc., with fruits of paprika (<i>Capsicum annuum</i> L.) and its products used as raw materials. Only vegetable oil extraction solvents, n-hexane, acetone, ethyl acetate, methanol, ethanol, isopropanol, and carbon dioxide may be used as solvents in the extraction.
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 (2014) PAPRIKA EXTRACT [] 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? [] Yes [X] No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: JECFA (2014) PAPRIKA EXTRACT "the major colouring compound is capsanthin"; "Capsanthin: Not less than 30% of total carotenoids"; "DESCRIPTION: Dark-red viscous liquid". The major components of this standard are " β -carotene, β -cryptoxanthin, and zeaxanthin (three yellow colors); capsanthin and capsorubin (two red colors)"; "Capsanthin and

<p>capsorubin: Not more than 30% of total carotenoids"; "DESCRIPTION: Orange or orange-red, viscous liquid".</p> <p>The reason is that this standard involves further purification of paprika extract. Under the premise of a fixed total carotenoid content in the sample, it ensures a high proportion of yellow colors (β-carotene, β-cryptoxanthin, and zeaxanthin) — accounting for 58%–85% of the total carotenoids — by limiting the proportion of red colors (capsanthin and capsorubin) to no more than 30% of the total carotenoids. This results in an orange or orange-red sensory appearance.</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. [] Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 11 July 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>WTO/SPS National Notification and Enquiry Center of the People's Republic of China Tel: +(86 10) 5795 4645/5795 4642 E-mail: sps@customs.gov.cn</p>
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