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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: VIET NAM If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Animal Health and Production; Ministry of Agriculture and Environment
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): Live animals and animal genetic material covered by the Draft Circular, including breeding animals, hatching eggs, semen, embryos and other genetic material of livestock breeds, in particular breeds listed in the List of livestock breeds requiring conservation and the List of livestock breeds prohibited from export (HS codes: 0101-0106, 0407, 0511.10 and 0511.99; ICS code: 65.020.30)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Draft Circular of the Minister of Agriculture and Environment on Management of Livestock Breeds and Livestock Breed Products. Language(s): Vietnamese. Number of pages: 55 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04850_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: The Draft Circular consolidates and updates Viet Nam's rules on the management of livestock breeds and livestock breed products. It covers the international exchange of rare and precious animal genetic resources; the export or international exchange of livestock breeds and livestock breed products included in the List of livestock breeds prohibited from export; the List of livestock breeds requiring conservation; and the List of livestock breeds prohibited from export. It also prescribes requirements and procedures for testing and recognition of testing results for livestock lines and breeds; recognition of new livestock lines and breeds; minimum quality levels for livestock breeds; and certificates of training in artificial insemination and embryo transfer techniques. Applications may be submitted in person, by post or electronically, with specified processing time limits and responsibilities for updating the national livestock database. The Draft Circular maintains and standardizes four administrative procedures, clarifies central and provincial competence, reduces or simplifies processing requirements, and strengthens traceability, electronic processing and post-market control. It does not maintain the former procedure for registration of breed testing or the former procedure for first-time import of breeding males, semen and embryos; importers remain responsible for origin, declared standards and quality under applicable legislation. The Draft Circular will replace Circular No. 22/2019/TT-BNNPTNT dated 30 November 2019 and Circular No. 21/2024/TT-BNNPTNT dated 11 December 2024 and repeal the relevant provisions and forms of Circular No. 94/2025/TT-BNNMT dated 31 December 2025, Circular No. 22/2026/TT-BNNMT dated 19 May 2026 and Circular No. 23/2019/TT-

	BNNPTNT dated 30 November 2019. Transitional provisions preserve the validity of approvals, decisions and certificates already issued and provide for continued processing of applications received before entry into force.
7.	Objective and rationale: ☐ 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: ☐ Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): ☐ 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 ☐ 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: • Law on Animal Husbandry No. 32/2018/QH14 (https://members.wto.org/cnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04850_00_e.pdf, available in English), as amended and supplemented by Law No. 146/2025/QH15 (https://members.wto.org/cnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04850_01_x.pdf, available in Vietnamese) • Decree No. 13/2020/ND-CP dated 21 January 2020 (https://members.wto.org/cnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04850_01_e.pdf, available in English), as amended and supplemented by Decree No. 46/2022/ND-CP (https://members.wto.org/cnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04850_03_x.pdf, available in Vietnamese) and Decree No. 32/2026/ND-CP (https://members.wto.org/cnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04850_02_x.pdf, available in Vietnamese)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): December 2026 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): December 2026
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: ☒ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 16 November 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☒ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Viet Nam Sanitary and Phytosanitary Notification Authority and Enquiry Point No 10 Nguyen Cong Hoan Street, Giang Vo ward, Ha Noi, Viet Nam Tel: +(84 4) 3734 4764 E-mail: spsvietnam@mae.gov.vn Website: http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn Department of Animal Health and Production No. 28/78 Giai Phong Street, Kim Lien ward, Ha Noi, Viet Nam Tel: +(84 24) 3734 543 E-mail: phonggvn.ccn@gmail.com

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