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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)
- 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): Meat, poultry, and egg products
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- Title of the notified document: Availability of FSIS Guidance for Importing Meat, Poultry, and Egg Products into the United States. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 2

https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/07/2017-14287/availability-of-fsis-guidance-for-importing-meat-poultry-and-egg-products-into-the-united-states https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/wcm/connect/415278f6-9c67-4641-bf92-8aafb90e2ac0/Guidance-for-Importing-Meat-Poultry-Egg-Products-into-US.pdf?MOD=AJPERES

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/USA/17 3471 00 e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/USA/17 3471 01 e.pdf

- 6. **Description of content:** The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing the availability of and requesting comment on guidance for importing meat, poultry, and egg products into the United States. This guidance is intended to help US importers, customs brokers, official import inspection establishments, egg products plants, and other interested parties understand and comply with FSIS import requirements. This guideline is designed to help Importers, Customs Brokers, Official Import Inspection Establishment Plant Management, and the general public: Understand the import regulatory requirements, and take steps to ensure products are imported in compliance with applicable US regulations.
- 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:
 - [] 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):
	[X] 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:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable
	[X] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 September 2017
	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:
	For further information contact: Roberta Wagner, Assistant Administrator, Office of Policy and Program Development; Tel: +(202) 205 0495
13.	Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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