



**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety
<b>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):</b> Health functional food products
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed Draft Amendments to the Standards and Specification for Health Functional Foods. <b>Language(s):</b> Korean. <b>Number of pages:</b> 131 <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/KOR/17_3798_00_x.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/KOR/17_3798_00_x.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The proposed amendments seek to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Allow to apply standards and specifications of Codex Alimentarius or other advanced countries to vitamin/mineral supplement ingredients when they are listed in Health Functional Food Code but their corresponding specifications are not established in Food Code &amp; Food Additives Code;</li><li>2. Amend minimum daily intake of Vitamin D and Chrome in accordance with the revised Nutrient Reference Value;</li><li>3. Add new clauses in standards for manufacturing of Iron and folic acid;</li><li>4. Add a more detailed warning notice for intake of edible oil containing gamma-linolenic acid;</li><li>5. Add amended test methods for 12 functional food ingredients.</li></ol>
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input 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.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <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

<p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>  The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2017-306, 24 August 2017 (available in Korean)</p>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.  <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 27 October 2017</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>International Cooperation Office  Ministry of Food and Drug Safety  #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si  Chungcheongbuk-do, 363-700, Korea  Tel: +(82 43) 719 1554  Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550  E-mail: wtokfda@korea.kr</p>
<b>13.</b>	<p><b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Documents are available from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety website at <a href="http://www.mfds.go.kr">http://www.mfds.go.kr</a>. Also available from:</p> <p>International Cooperation Office  Ministry of Food and Drug Safety  #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si  Chungcheongbuk-do, 363-700, Korea  Tel: +(82 43) 719 1554  Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550  E-mail: wtokfda@korea.kr</p>