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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notify	ring Member: JAPAN
	If app	licable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)	
3.	sched	cts covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national ules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, applicable):
	07	ible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS Codes: 07.01, 07.02, 07.03, 07.05, .07, 07.08, 07.09, 07.10 and 07.13) ible fruits and nuts, peel of citrus/melons (HS Codes: 08.04, 08.05, 08.06, 08.07,
	08	.08, 08.09, 08.10, 08.11 and 08.14)
		ffee, tea, mate and spices (HS Codes: 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and .10)
		eaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruits (HS Code: 12.10)
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: Revision of the Standards and Specifications for Food and Food Additives under the Food Sanitation Act (Revision of agricultural chemical residustandards). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 2	
	https:/	//members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/JPN/17 5588 00 e.pdf
6.	Description of content: Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical: Pesticide: Folpet.	
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): Pesticide Residues in Food and feed – Pesticide Index – 41 - Folpet
	[]	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: For lettuce and apple, the short-term dietary exposure of Folpet estimated from the highest residues (HR) of the supervised residue trials used in the JMPR evaluation and national food consumption data of lettuce and apple would exceed an ARfD of 0.1mg/kg bw which was set by the Food Safety Commission of Japan. Therefore, the MHLW has decided to maintain the current MRLs of 2ppm for lettuce and 5ppm for apple.

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Food Sanitation Act (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).
- **10. Proposed date of adoption** (*dd/mm/yy*)**:** As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): These proposed standards will take effect after a certain period of grace.
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- **12.** Final date for comments: **[X]** Sixty days from the date of circulation of the **notification and/or** (*dd/mm/yy*): 16 February 2018. Comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles and white circles in attached annexes).

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:

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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