NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Mozambique  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Sea Inland Water and Fisheries National Institute of Fish Inspection |
| **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):** Fishery products, derivatives and sub-products, aquatic food products intended for human consumption and feed for aquatic organisms of aquaculture |
| **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:** (Draft) General Regulation for the Hygiene and Sanitary Controls of Aquatic Food Products. Mozambique is notifying the Draft General Regulation for the Hygiene and Sanitary Controls of Aquatic Food Products which will revoke Decree 76/2009 of 15 December under revision. The new Draft Regulation in circulation for comments aims to be consistent with the new Law of Fisheries (Law 22/2013 of 1 November) as well as to harmonize with the International Standard on Food Safety. **Language(s):**Portuguese. **Number of pages:** 26  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/MOZ/18_5094_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The present Draft General Regulation for the Hygiene and Sanitary Controls of Aquatic Food Products is being reviewed with the aim of adapting to the new Fisheries Law in force. It permits the Fish Inspection to carry out proper and fully its mission and skills, including the need for collaboration with other government institutions and harmonization with international legislation.  This Regulation applies for all fishery products, derivatives and by-products, aquatic food and feed for aquatic organisms of aquaculture which are intended for human consumption, produced from fishery products caught in the national territory, in third countries or in international waters, within the country or using the country as transit, in order to ensure the food safety.  The fishery products, their derivatives and by-products, aquatic food products, and feed for aquatic organisms of aquaculture which are intended for human consumption to be imported must meet sanitary requirements and hygiene of this Regulation and other applicable legal provisions.  The Draft Regulation is being circulated for comments before finalization. |
| **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)*:**  Code for good practices on fishery and fishery products (CAC/RP 52-2003)  **[ ]** **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?**  **[****X] 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:** Fisheries Law: 22/2013 of 1 November (available in Portuguese) |
| **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: [****X] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:**  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 November 2018  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security  Dra. Dercília Da Rosária Mudanisse Arone  Veterinary Epidemiology Unit  P.1407 Rua da Resistência 1746  Republico f Mozambique - Maputo  Tel: +(258 2) 41 5633  Fax: +(258 2) 41 5637  Mobile: +(258 82) 149 6400  E-mail: dercimudanisse@gmail.com  and/or  Afonso Sitole  Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security  Plant Protection Department  Recinto do IIAM, CP 3658; Maputo  E-mail: afonsostl@gmail.com |
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