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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

- Notifying Member: REPUBLIC OF KOREA

  If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Ministry of Food and Drug Safety
- 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): Bee pollen and processed pollen
- 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:** Operational Plan for Recommended level of Pyrrolizidine Alkaloids in Pollen Products. **Language(s):** Korean. **Number of pages:** 3

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/KOR/19 3622 00 x.pdf

6. Description of content:

Product subject to regulation: Bee pollen and processed pollen

Substance subject to regulation: Pyrrolizidine alkaloids (PAs, 28 species)

Recommended level: No more than 0.2 mg/kg

Enforcement period: 1 September 2019 - 31 August 2020

Corrective measures will be taken in case a food product exceeds the recommended level: Urge to meet the recommended level and recommend actions for improvement (such as voluntary recall, labelling correction, etc.). In case actions for improvement are not executed to meet the level, relevant information will be publicly disclosed.

The legal basis for this notification is The Food Sanitation Act Article 7-2 (Illustrations of Recommended Specifications, etc.).

- 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:
Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

- 9.
- 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): To be determined.
  - [ ] Trade facilitating measure
- Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the 12. notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 August 2019

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:

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

Documents are available from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety website at http://www.mfds.go.kr. Also available from:

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