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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (Thai FDA)
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): Foods for commercial (ICS Code: 67.040)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No....) B.E. ... issued by the virtue of the Food Act B.E. 2522, entitled "Production Processes and Equipment/ Utensils for Production and Storage of Foods". Language(s): Thai. Number of pages: 22 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/THA/20_2619_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: <ol style="list-style-type: none">This Notification shall apply to any premises that produce foods for commercial. The exemption shall be applied to the following premises/areas in which the commercial foods are produced:<ol style="list-style-type: none">Any private building, place or area, with or without dining area, in which foods are produced or cooked and sold [in situ] for immediate consumption. This exemption shall not apply to the private buildings, places or areas having either machines with a total power of at least 5 hp or equivalent or having workers of at least 7 people and such establishments produce the specific controlled foods, the standard or quality controlled foods, or the foods that required label, as the case may be.Food-selling establishments/ Food vending located in public areas or ways.Premises for production of edible salt.Premises for sorting and packing of some fresh vegetables and fruits which are regulated under the Notification of Ministry of Public Health regarding production processes and equipment/utensils for production and storage.The requirements of GMP consist 5 sections:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Section 1 Location, Premise, Cleaning and MaintenanceSection 2 Equipment, Machines, Utensils, Production tools, Cleaning and MaintenanceSection 3 Process controlSection 4 SanitationSection 5 Personal hygieneFood producers shall comply with this regulation. Food importers are required to bear certifying documents showing that their production standards are equivalent to or higher than the criteria described in the Annex of this Notification.

<p>4. Producers of the foods listed below shall allocate the production supervisor(s) who has (have) successfully completed the FDA-approved training course(s):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Bottled drinking water, natural mineral water and edible ice which has been passed through the filtration or disinfection process. Ready-to-drink milk products which are pasteurized using the high temperature treatment, i.e., cow's milk, flavoured cow's milk, cow's milk products and other pasteurized milk products from animal species other than cow. It also applies to those having freezing process after pasteurization. Low acid and acidified foods in hermetically sealed container, i.e., foods which have been passed through the thermal process of destroying or inhibiting the growth of microorganisms after or before packing or sealing and other foods with a finished equilibrium pH greater than 4.6 and water activity greater than 0.85, which has been passed through the thermal process and packaged in hermetically sealed rigid or flexible metal or other materials containers capable of preventing ambient air from entering into the container and which can be kept under normal temperature. <p>5. Licensees who have been granted a food production or importation licences prior to the date of entry into force shall comply with this Notification within 180 days as from the enforcement date.</p> <p>6. This notification shall come into force after 60 days from its publication in the Official Gazette.</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale: <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.</p>
<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): (CAC/RCP 53-2003)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 60 days after being notified in the Official Gazette.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>

12. Final date for comments: Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 14 June 2020

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