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

## **NOTIFICATION**

- Notifying Member: JAPAN
  If applicable, name of local government involved:

  Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)
- 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):
  - Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS: 07.01, 07.02, 07.03, 07.04, 07.05, 07.06, 07.07, 07.08, 07.09, 07.10 and 07.14) -Edible fruit, nuts, and peel of citrus fruit (HS: 08.01, 08.02, 08.03, 08.04, 08.05, 08.06, 08.07, 08.08, 08.09, 08.10, 08.11 and 08.14)
  - Tea, mate and spices (HS: 09.02, 09.03, 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10)
  - Cereals (HS: 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.04, 10.05, 10.06, 10.07 and 10.08)
  - Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit (HS: 12.04, 12.05, 12.06, 12.07, 12.10 and 12.12)
- 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 Specifications and Standards for Foods, Food Additives, Etc. under the Food Sanitation Act (revision of agricultural chemical residue standards). **Language(s):** Available in English. **Number of pages:** 5 pages.

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/JPN/20 6790 00 e.pdf

**6. Description of content:** Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical

Pesticide: Cartap, Thiocyclam and Bensultap

- 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:

- **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): 5 January 2021 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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