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

## **NOTIFICATION**

1. Notifying Member: CANADA

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
- 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): Susceptible species of aquatic animals
- 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: Susceptible Species of Aquatic Animals. Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 44 et 45

https://www.inspection.gc.ca/animal-health/aquatic-animals/diseases/susceptible-species/eng/1327162574928/1327162766981

https://www.inspection.gc.ca/sante-des-animaux/animaux-

aquatiques/maladies/especes-vulnerables/fra/1327162574928/1327162766981

6. **Description of content:** CFIA is updating the Canadian Susceptible Species of Aquatic Animals list (SSL) and adding or removing the above 19 species of aquatic animals to align with recent changes to the species listed in various disease specific chapters of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) Aquatic Animal Health Code. The following 12 aquatic animal species, included in Chapters 03 and 05, will be added to CFIA's Susceptible Species of Aquatic Animals list: *Cyclopterus lumpus, Gambusia holbrooki, Lampetra planeri, Melanotaenia fluviatilis, Notemigonus crysoleucas, Pungitius pungitius, Rutilus kutum, Rutilus frisii, Salmo marmoratus, Salmo obtusirostris, Sander lucioperca, and Palaemonetes pugio.* 

The following seven aquatic animal species, included in Chapters 03 and 05, will be removed from the Susceptible Species of Aquatic Animals list: *Acipenser transmontanus*, *Aulorhynchus flavidus*, *Leuciscus idus*, *Maccullochella peelii*, *Poecilia reticulata*, *Salvelinus leucomaenis*, *and Tinca tinca*.

The 12 species to be added to the SSL will now require zoosanitary export certification when being exported to Canada unless the commodity is in a product form (e.g. eviscerated or head off) for human consumption end uses where certification is not required. The seven species being removed from the SSL will no longer require zoosanitary export certification for any end use in Canada. The CFIA Automated Import Reference System (<a href="https://www.inspection.gc.ca/importing-food-plants-or-animals/plant-and-plant-product-imports/airs/eng/1300127512994/1300127627409">https://www.inspection.gc.ca/importing-food-plants-or-animals/plant-and-plant-product-imports/airs/eng/1300127512994/1300127627409</a>) will be updated to reflect the changes to the SSL as of 31 March 2021.

In addition, the SSL will be incorporated by reference in the *Health of Animals Regulations* and Schedule III repealed. This change will facilitate CFIA's ability to make periodic

changes to the SSL to align with the annual revisions to disease specific Chapters of the OIE Aquatic Animal Health Code.

Trade impact as a result of the above changes are expected to be minimal. CFIA import data indicates that there has historically been a low volume of trade of the species being added and removed.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [ ] food safety, [X] 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):
  - [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Aquatic Animal Health Code Chapters 3 and 5
  - [ ] 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: Schedule III of the Health of Animals Regulations (available in English and French): <a href="https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/C.R.C.">https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/C.R.C.</a>, c. 296/page-30.html #h-548965 <a href="https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/fra/reglements/C.R.C.">https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/fra/reglements/C.R.C.</a>%2C ch. 296/page-30.html
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 15 March 2021

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 31 March 2021

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 31 March 2021
  - [ ] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 10 March 2021

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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