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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: SINGAPORE
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: National Parks Board/Animal and Veterinary Service (NParks/AVS)
- 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): Birds (other than domestic birds) (HS Codes: 01063200, 01063900), hatching eggs (HS Code: 30063020), and viruses of animals and birds: type culture/strains and laboratory isolate (HS Code: 30029000)
- 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:** Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Pet Animals Birds (other than domestic birds); Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Domestic Birds and Eggs Hatching Eggs; Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Veterinary Biologics Viruses of Animals and Birds: Type Cultures/Strains; Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Veterinary Biologics Viruses of Animals and Birds: Laboratory Isolates. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 5, 6, 2, 2 (15 in total)

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/SGP/21 7603 00 e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** The following Veterinary Conditions have been reviewed to align with the OIE's Terrestrial Animal Health Code (TAHC) Chapter 10.4 Infection with High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza Viruses that was adopted at the OIE 88th General Session in May 2021:
 - 1. Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Pet Animals Birds (other than domestic birds);
 - 2. Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Hatching Eggs (for lab use);
 - 3. Veterinary Conditions for importation of Veterinary Biologics Viruses of Animals and Birds: Type Cultures/Strains;
 - 4. Veterinary Conditions for importation of Veterinary Biologics Viruses of Animals and Birds: Laboratory Isolates.

A summary of the revisions is here:

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- 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): Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapter 10.4 and OIE Manual of Standards for Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines Chapter 3.3.4 Avian Influenza (Including Infection with High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza Viruses)
- [] 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:
- **10. Proposed date of adoption** *(dd/mm/yy)*: Same as date of circulation of the notification.

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Same as date of circulation of the notification.

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Same as date of circulation of the notification. On the revisions to the Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Pet Animals (other than domestic birds), a 6-month grace period will also be given for exporters who require more time to adapt to the isolation period of at least 28 days prior to shipment, and relevant tests within 14 days prior to export.
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

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:

Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Pet Animals (other than domestic birds): https://www.nparks.gov.sg/avs/pets/bringing-animals-into-singapore-and-exporting/import-export-and-transhipment-of-other-animals/ornamental-birds (available in English)

Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Hatching Eggs (for lab use): https://www.nparks.gov.sg/avs/pets/bringing-animals-into-singapore-and-exporting/import-export-and-transhipment-of-other-animals/laboratory-animals (available in English)

Veterinary Conditions for importation of Veterinary Biologics - Viruses of Animals and Birds:

https://www.nparks.gov.sg/avs/pets/bringing-animals-into-singapore-and-exporting/veterinary-biologics/import-licence-requirements-for-pathogens (available in English)

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