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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: US Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)
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): Poultry and poultry products
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: Condemnation of Poultry Carcasses Affected with Any of the Forms of Avian Leukosis Complex: Rescission (Proposed Rule). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 5 https://www.regulations.gov/document/FSIS-2021-0004-0001 https://www.fsis.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media_file/2022-03/FSIS-2021-0004.pdf https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/03/14/2022-05294/condemnation-of-poultry-carcasses-affected-with-any-form-of-avian-leukosis-complex-rescission https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/USA/22_2239_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The US Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is proposing to amend the US poultry products inspection regulations to rescind several regulations related to the inspection and condemnation of poultry carcasses affected with any of the forms of avian leukosis complex. Currently, the US poultry products inspection regulations require that carcasses of poultry affected with any one or more of the several forms of the avian visceral leukosis complex be condemned (9 CFR 381.82). FSIS is proposing to rescind 9 CFR 381.82, and under the proposed rule, carcasses affected with avian leukosis would be addressed by 9 CFR 381.87, which provides that any organ or other carcass part affected with tumors may be trimmed and that the unaffected parts of the carcass may be inspected and passed. FSIS is also proposing to rescind 9 CFR 381.36(f)(3), the regulation that requires New Poultry Inspection System (NPIS) young chicken establishments in the United States to provide a leukosis inspection area along the slaughter line, as well as 9 CFR 381.76(b)(6)(iv), the regulation that prescribes inspection procedures for avian visceral leukosis in NPIS young chicken establishments. These regulations do not apply to US turkey establishments operating under the NPIS because avian visceral leukosis is extremely rare in turkeys. FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice. Please submit comments on or before 13 May 2022.

<p>Full text for this Federal Register notice (87 FR 14182) can be accessed at: https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/03/14/2022-05294/condemnation-of-poultry-carcasses-affected-with-any-form-of-avian-leukosis-complex-rescission.</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 type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input 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: Information available on the USDA FSIS website: https://www.fsis.usda.gov/policy/federal-register-rulemaking/federal-register-rules/rescind-regulation-requires-condemnation</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 14 March 2022</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 13 May 2022</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Rachel Edelstein, Assistant Administrator, USDA FSIS Office of Policy and Program Development by telephone at +(202) 205 0495</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>