



**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>THAILAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b> -
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Food and Drug Administration (Thai FDA)
<b>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):</b> Food enzyme, processing aids, food additives (HS Code: 3507)
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) Notification, No. ... B.E. ... issued by virtue of the Food Act B.E. 2522 entitled "Enzyme for use in Food Processing". <b>Language(s):</b> Thai. <b>Number of pages:</b> 46 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/THA/22_2531_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/THA/22_2531_00_x.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Since the MOPH notification No. 409 (B.E. 2562) issued by virtue of the Food Act B.E. 2522 entitled "Enzyme for use in Food Processing" has been published, there are certain ambiguities in the application of this notification. In order to remove these ambiguities, the MOPH notification shall be revised.  By virtue of the articles 5 and 6(6) of the Food Act of B.E. 2522, the MOPH has issued the (draft) MOPH notification which can be summarized as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The MOPH notification No. 409 (B.E. 2562) issued by virtue of the Food Act B.E. 2522 entitled "Enzyme for use in Food Processing" of 9 July will be repealed and replaced with this draft of MOPH notification;</li><li>2. Based on the MOPH notification No. 409 (B.E. 2562), there are certain requirements that are currently prescribed in this draft of the MOPH notification:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2.1. Requirements regarding mycotoxin and novel DNA are added to the general specification for food enzyme:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In case of food enzyme originated from fungi, mycotoxin should not be detected;</li><li>• In case of food enzyme originated from genetically modified organisms, novel DNA or gene materials which are the results of the use of gene technology shall not be detectable;</li></ul></li><li>2.2. A material which is used for immobilized enzyme shall not release toxic substances into food by reference to the migration limit set out in the MOPH notification on plastic food packaging;</li><li>2.3. Enzymes, source of enzymes, functions and conditions of use are revised as appear in Annex I;</li><li>2.4. Silicon dioxide, D-glucitol syrup and sorbitol syrup are added to Annex IV, food additive used in enzyme preparation;</li><li>2.5. Enzymes used in the production of food additives and production of processing aids are also excluded from this draft of the MOPH notification;</li></ol></li></ol>

<p>3. This notification shall enter into force after the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.</p> <p>This regulation has been notified as TBT notification.</p>
<p><b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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><b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> CAC/RCP 53-2003</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The MOPH notification No. 409 (B.E. 2562) issued by virtue of the Food Act B.E. 2522 entitled "Enzyme for use in Food Processing" of 9 July B.E. 2562</li> <li>2. General Specifications and Considerations for Enzyme Preparations used in food processing (Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives)</li> <li>3. Principles and Methods for the Risk Assessment of Chemicals in Food (EHC240); Chapter 9 Principles related to specific groups of substances (FAO/WHO) updated 2020</li> <li>4. Guideline for the Conduct of Food Safety Assessment of Foods Produced Using Recombinant-DNA Microorganisms (Codex Alimentarius Commission)</li> <li>5. Combined compendium of Food Additive specifications vol. 4: Analytical methods, test procedures and laboratory solutions used by and referenced in the food additive specifications (Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives 2006)</li> </ol>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): On the day after the date of its publication in the Government Gazette onward.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 June 2022</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) 50 Phaholyothin Road, Ladyao Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900 Thailand Tel: +(662) 561 4204 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: <a href="mailto:spsthailand@gmail.com">spsthailand@gmail.com</a> Websites: <a href="http://www.acfs.go.th">http://www.acfs.go.th</a> <a href="http://www.spsthailand.net/">http://www.spsthailand.net/</a></p>

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