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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>AUSTRALIA</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
- 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): All agriculture, horticulture, fisheries, food and forestry products exported from or imported to Australia
- 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:** Name change of name for the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:**
- **6. Description of content:** Trading partners are advised that following the outcome of the 2022 Australian Federal Election there have been some changes to the structure and names of Australian Government departments.

From 1 July 2022, the former Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE) has been renamed to the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF). The only change is the name of the department and DAFF remains the Australian Government competent authority responsible for the inspection and certification, where applicable, of Australian agriculture, horticulture, fisheries, food and forestry product exports and imports.

This notification is in addition to G/SPS/N/AUS/540 regarding changes to horticulture and grain products export certification to reflect the department's name change.

As provided for in the abovementioned notification, updated certificates will be released during July 2022. There will be a short transition period where old and new certificates may be presented to border officials for clearance of goods.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] 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, Section 5. Aquatic Animal Health Code, Section 5

	[X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 12
	[] 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: https://www.agriculture.gov.au/about/who-we-are (available in English)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 1 July 2022
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 14 July 2022
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 July 2022
	[] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 12 September 2022
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