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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: TÜRKİYE If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry/General Directorate of Food and Control
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): Foodstuffs
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: Turkish Food Codex - Regulation on Contaminants. Language(s): Turkish. Number of pages: 36 https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr/Duyuru/1734/Mevzuat-Taslagi-Tgk-Bulasanlar-Yonetmeli https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/TUR/22_8279_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: This Regulation covers maximum levels for certain contaminants in food and the responsibilities for the identification, prevention, reduction or elimination of the source of the risk associated with the contaminants. The Regulation consists of nitrates, mycotoxins, heavy metals, 3-monochloropropanediol (3-MCPD), 3-MCPD fatty acid esters and glycidyl fatty acid esters, dioxins and dioxin-like polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB), polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH), melamine and their structural analogues, natural plant toxins, perchlorate and other contaminants. With the enactment of the new Regulation, the Turkish Food Codex Regulation on Contaminants published in the Official Gazette dated 29 December 2011 and numbered 28157 shall be repealed.
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.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CXS 193-1995 General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None

<p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: The Draft Regulation has been prepared by taking into account the Codex Standard and a significant level of harmonization has been achieved. It has been prepared within the framework of harmonization with Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 of 19 December 2006 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs.</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Veterinary, Phytosanitary, Food and Feed Law No: 5996 (G/SPS/N/TUR/9) - Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 of 19 December 2006 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs (Text with EEA relevance)
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 1 April 2022</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 1 May 2023</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): This regulation enters into force on the date of its publication. However, transitional period has been provided in Provisional Article 1. Maximum levels for which an effective date is not specified in Annex-1 shall be applied from the date of entry into force of this Regulation. The maximum levels with the effective date specified in Annex-1 are applied as of the mentioned date.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 February 2023</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>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry General Directorate of Food and Control Universiteler Mah. Dumlupinar Bulvari, No: 161 06800, Cankaya Tel: +(90 312) 258 7610 +(90 312) 258 7607 Fax: +(90 312) 258 7693 E-mail: sps@tarimorman.gov.tr Website: https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr</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> <p>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry General Directorate of Food and Control Universiteler Mah. Dumlupinar Bulvari, No: 161 06800, Cankaya Tel: +(90 312) 258 7610 +(90 312) 258 7607 Fax: +(90 312) 258 7693 E-mail: sps@tarimorman.gov.tr Website: https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr</p>