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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
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): Live animals (HS code: 01), live bovine animals (HS code: 0102), live swine animals (HS code: 0103), live sheep and goats (HS code: 0104), live animals (excl. horses etc.) (HS code: 0106)
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: Regulations amending the Health of Animals Regulations (Livestock identification and traceability). Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 116 https://canadagazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2023/2023-03-18/pdf/g1-15711.pdf#page=26
6. Description of content: The Canadian Food Inspection Agency is proposing amendments to the <i>Health of Animals Regulations</i> , Part XV: Livestock Identification and Traceability, regarding identifying and traceability requirements for livestock species within Canada and identification requirements for import and export. The proposed amendments to the <i>Health of Animals Regulations</i> would expand the scope, and improve the accessibility, timeliness and accuracy of animal identification and movement information, apply new requirements to both currently regulated species (bison, cattle, sheep and pigs) as well as proposed species (goats and cervids) that would now be regulated. Updates to the requirements for animal identification and records will also increase agility and efficiency throughout the traceability system. The amendments will address the identified gaps in the current livestock traceability system by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- adding farmed cervids and goats as regulated species;- include movement reporting requirements for all domestic movements of regulated species;- reduce the time to report information to a central database from 30-60 days to 7 days for all species;- and require more accurate location data be reported via the provincial premises identification programs which allocate premises identification numbers to agricultural sites. By addressing the gaps in the livestock traceability system, the regulatory proposal will strengthen the ability to protect Canada's food supply and animal resource base and reduce the impact of various events on Canada's national herd and the Canadian agriculture economy.

<p>Conforms with the World Organization of Animal Health's Terrestrial Animal Health Code, section 4.1 – General principles on identification and traceability of live animals.</p>	
7.	<p>Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.</p>
8.	<p>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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapter 4.1 General principles on identification and traceability of live animals</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <p>Guidance documents on CFIA's website on the consultation on the proposed regulations: Share your thoughts: Consultation on proposed changes to Part XV of the Health of Animals Regulations (Identification and Traceability) - Canadian Food Inspection Agency (canada.ca) (English) Faites-nous part de vos commentaires: Consultation sur les modifications proposées à la partie XV du Règlement sur la santé des animaux (identification et traçabilité) - Agence canadienne d'inspection des aliments (canada.ca) (French)</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Late 2024.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Late 2024.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): A transition period following final publication is proposed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – a one-year transition period for cattle, bison, sheep, pigs, goat, and cervids; and – a two-year transition period for animals that are kept for research purposes, entertainment purposes or for a person's company. <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 16 June 2023</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input 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>

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

The electronic version of the regulatory text can be found at:

[Regulations Amending the Health of Animals Regulations \(Identification and Traceability\) \(New commenting feature\)](#) (English)

[Règlement modifiant le Règlement sur la santé des animaux \(identification et traçabilité\) \(Nouvelle fonction pour la soumission de commentaires\)](#) (French)

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