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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u>
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)
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): Formic acid as a feed additive
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: Amendments of standards and specifications of Formic acid. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/JPN/23_9230_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: MAFF will add standards and specifications of Formic acid to the "Ministerial Ordinance on the Specifications and Standards of Feeds and Feed Additives" (Ordinance No. 35 of 24 July 1976 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry).
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
	[] Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>):
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>):
	[] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
	[X] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[]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:
	These amendments are to be publicised in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when
	adopted (available in Japanese). These draft amendments are also notified under the TBT Agreement. The Current Ministrial ordinance is available from the URL: <u>https://elaws.e-gov.go.jp/document?lawid=351M50010000035</u> .

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Trade facilitating measure [X] 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 23 June 2023 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Standards Information Service International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs 2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku Tokyo 100-8919, Japan Tel: +(81 3) 5501 8344 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Standards Information Service International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs 2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku Tokyo 100-8919, Japan Tel: +(81 3) 5501 8344 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp