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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

1.	Notifying Member: <u>SWITZERLAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:		
2.	Agency responsible: Federal Food Safety and Veterinary Office (FSVO)		
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): Fish, meat (beef, pork, game, sheep, poultry) and eggs		
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:		
	[X]	All trading partners	
	[]	Specific regions or countries:	
5.		of the notified document: Ordonnance du DFI sur les teneurs maximales en ninants. Language(s): French. Number of pages: 23	
	https:/	/members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/CHE/23 09679 00 f.pdf	
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Based on Regulation (EU) 2022/2388, maximum levels for the four perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS): perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS), perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA), perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS) and their sum were introduced for various foodstuffs of animal origin.		
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.		
8.	Is the	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):	
	[]	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):	
	[]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):	
	[X]	None	
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?		
	[ ] Ye	[] 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:

It corresponds to the Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/2388 of 7 December 2022 amending Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 as regards maximum levels of perfluoroalkyl substances in certain foodstuffs.

The EU Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/2388 serves as basis for the Swiss Regulation: <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/CHE/23">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/CHE/23</a> 09679 00 e.pdf (available in English).

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 31 October 2023

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 23 November 2023

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 January 2024
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 24 July 2023

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