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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

## NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: JAPAN
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)
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): Apparatus, containers and packaging for food
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[] Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Amendment to the Specifications and Standards for Foods, Food Additives, Etc. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 1
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/JPN/23 10473 00 e.pdf
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Amendment to the specifications for synthetic resin used for apparatus, containers, and packaging.
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 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) (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?
	[]Yes []No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> When adopted, this amendment will be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).

**10. Proposed date of adoption (***dd/mm/yy***):** As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period.

**Proposed date of publication (***dd/mm/yy***):** As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period.

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 1 June 2025
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 21 August 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:

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