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

## **NOTIFICATION**

- 1. Notifying Member: JAPAN
  - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)
- 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):
  - Meat and edible meat offal (HS Codes: 02.01, 02.02, 02.03, 02.04, 02.05, 02.06 and 02.08)
  - Dairy produce, birds' eggs and natural honey (HS Code: 04.01)
  - Products of animal origin (HS Code: 05.04)
  - Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS Codes: 07.09 and 07.10)
  - Edible fruits and nuts, peel of citrus/melons (HS Codes: 08.01, 08.02, 08.03, 08.04, 08.05, 08.06, 08.07, 08.08, 08.09, 08.10, 08.11 and 08.14)
  - Coffee, tea, mate and spices (HS Codes: 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10)
  - Oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruits (HS Codes: 12.04, 12.05, 12.06 and 12.07)
  - Animal or vegetable fats and oils (HS Codes: 15.01, 15.02 and 15.06)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [X] All trading partners
  - [ ] Specific regions or countries:
- **Title of the notified document:** Revision of the Standards and Specifications for Foods and Food Additives under the Food Sanitation Act (Revision of agricultural chemical residue standards). **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 3
  - http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/JPN/16 5218 00 e.pdf
- **6. Description of content:** Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical:

Pesticide: Bromacil.

- 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 (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? [ ] 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: Food Sanitation Act (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to 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 for the comment period.  Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): These proposed standards will take effect after a certain period of grace.  [ ] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 February 2017. Comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles and white circles in attached annexes).  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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