



**NOTIFICATION**

*Revision*

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>THAILAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Food and Drug Administration (Thai FDA)
<b>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):</b> Food in general (ICS code: 67.040)
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Ministry of Public Health Notification (MOPH), No. ... B.E. ..., entitled "Import requirements and conditions for food with risk from Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy". <b>Language(s):</b> Thai and English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 9 and 10 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/THA/24_04643_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/THA/24_04643_00_x.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/THA/24_04643_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/THA/24_04643_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> For consumer protection, the Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) is proposing to revise the MOPH Notification concerning import requirements and conditions for food with risk from Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy. The main elements of the draft notification are as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>The MOPH Notification (No. 377) B.E. 2559 (2016) entitled "Re: Designation of Requirements and Conditions for Import Food with Risk from Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy", dated 11 July 2016, is repealed and replaced by this (Draft) MOPH Notification;</li><li>It classifies the BSE risk status of the bovine population of a country, zone or compartment into three categories according to the WOHAT criteria, as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Category 1: Negligible BSE risk Country;</li><li>– Category 2: Controlled BSE risk Country; and</li><li>– Category 3: Undetermined BSE risk Country;</li></ul>The list of the countries or regions prescribed in the list annexed to this (Draft) MOPH Notification;</li><li>It describes the definitions of "Meat", "Fresh Meat" and "Meat products" the same as described in the MOPH Notification (No. 377) and adds the definition of "Import checkpoint";</li><li>It revises the import requirements for fresh meat and meat products for human consumption into Thailand according to the WOHAT criteria.</li></ol> This notification shall come into force on the following date after its publication in the Government Gazette.

7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> WOAH - Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2023: Chapter 11.4 Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> The MOPH Notification (No. 377) B.E. 2559 (2016) entitled "Re: Designation of Requirements and Conditions for Import Food with Risk from Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy" (available in Thai and English)</p>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): The day after its publication in the Royal Thai Government Gazette.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 16 September 2024</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) 50 Phaholyothin Road, Ladyao Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900 Thailand Tel: +(662) 561 4204 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: <a href="mailto:spsthailand@gmail.com">spsthailand@gmail.com</a> Websites: <a href="http://www.acfs.go.th">http://www.acfs.go.th</a> <a href="https://spsthailand.acfs.go.th/th/main">https://spsthailand.acfs.go.th/th/main</a></p>
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