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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 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): Wheat and meslin (HS code(s): 1001); Rye (HS code(s): 1002); Barley (HS code(s): 1003); Oats (HS code(s): 1004); Maize or corn (HS code(s): 1005); Grain sorghum (HS code(s): 1007); Cereal straw and husks, unprepared, whether or not chopped, ground, pressed or in the form of pellets. (HS code(s): 1213); Swedes, mangolds, fodder roots, hay, alfalfa, clover, sainfoin, forage kale, lupines, vetches and similar forage products, whether or not in the form of pellets (HS code(s): 1214)
- 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 to the Enforcement Ordinance of the Standards of Feed and Feed Additives (Amendment of an agricultural chemical residue standard). **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:**
- **6. Description of content:** The amendments of the maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the agricultural chemical: 2,4-D.

Commodity (for feed)	Proposed MRL(mg/kg)	Current MRL(mg/kg)
Oats	2	0.5
Barley	2	0.5
Wheat	2	0.5
Maize	0.05	0.05
Milo	2	0.5
Rye	2	0.5
Hay	400	260

## Note:

- Residue definition for enforcement: Sum of 2,4-D and its salts and esters expressed as 2,4-D
- Hay includes hay and fodder (dry), straw, forage (green) and silage. The MRL is set as 90% dry matter base.
- Regarding the name, "2,4-D" was changed to "2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid".
- 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:
  - [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Maximum Residue Limits (MRL) for Pesticides (CAC/MRL 1). The Codex Alimentarius Commission has established MRLs for 2,4-D for wheat, maize, milo, rye and hay of grasses
  - [ ] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
  - [ ] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
  - [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] 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 were publicised in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).

The current MRLs list for feed is available at the following website (available in English): <a href="http://www.famic.go.jp/ffis/feed/r">http://www.famic.go.jp/ffis/feed/r</a> safety/r feeds safety.html.

**10.** Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 26 August 2024

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 26 August 2024

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 26 August 2024
  - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

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