

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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## NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<b>1. Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>CHINA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Standardization Administration of China (SAC) <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ X ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Seed and sapling of mulberry (ICS: 65.020.20; HS: 1212).
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> National Standard of the P.R.C., Seed and Sapling of Mulberry (7 pages, in Chinese).
<b>6. Description of content:</b> This standard specifies the terms and definitions, quality requirements, test methods, inspection rules, and packaging, marking, transportation requirements for mulberry seeds and sapling. This standard applies to the production, sale of common mulberry seed, hybrids mulberry seed, common mulberry seedling, hybrid mulberry seedlings, grafted mulberry sapling and cuttings mulberry sapling.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Preventing counterfeit seed trade, protecting the interests of farmers and ensuring planting safety
<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> Seed law of the P.R.C, GB/T 3543 Rules for agricultural seed testing, GB 20464 General directive for labelling of agricultural seeds
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> 90 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 6 months after adoption
<b>10. Final date for comments:</b> 60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat

- 11. Text available from: National enquiry point [ X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:**  
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