

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>JAPAN</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
<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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Meat and edible meat offal (HS Codes: 02.01, 02.02, 02.03, 02.04, 02.05, 02.06, 02.07, 02.08 and 02.09);</li><li>– Fish and crustaceans (HS Codes: 03.02, 03.03, 03.04, 03.06 and 03.07);</li><li>– Dairy produce, birds' eggs and natural honey (HS Codes: 04.01, 04.07, 04.08, 04.09);</li><li>– Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS Codes: 07.01, 07.02, 07.03, 07.04, 07.05, 07.06, 07.07, 07.08, 07.09, 07.10, 07.13 and 07.14);</li><li>– 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, 08.13 and 08.14);</li><li>– Coffee, tea, mate and spices (HS Codes: 09.02, 09.03, 09.05, 09.04, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10);</li><li>– Cereals (HS Codes: 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.04, 10.05, 10.06, 10.07 and 10.08);</li><li>– Products of the milling industry; malt; starches; inulin; wheat gluten (HS Code: 11.01);</li><li>– Oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruits (HS Codes: 12.01, 12.02, 12.04, 12.05, 12.06, 12.07, 12.08 and 12.12);</li><li>– Animal fats (HS Code: 15.02); and</li><li>– Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal fodder (HS Code: 23.02).</li></ul>
<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> Revision of the standards and specifications for foods and food additives under the Food Sanitation Law (revision of agricultural chemical residue standards) <b>Language:</b> English <b>Number of pages:</b> 9 <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2010/sps/JPN/10_3080_00_e.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2010/sps/JPN/10_3080_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for agricultural chemicals (Bifenthrin, Chlorfenapyr and Propoxycarbazone).

7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM number</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b>  <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.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Food Sanitation Law (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to be published in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> As soon as possible after the final date for comment period.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> As soon as possible after the final date for comment period.</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): These proposed standards will basically take effect after a certain period of grace.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</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): 8 October 2010</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
13.	<p><b>Texts available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Standards Information Service  International Trade Division  Economic Affairs Bureau  Ministry of Foreign Affairs  2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku  Tokyo 100-8919, Japan  Tel.: +(81) 3 5501 8344  Fax: +(81) 3 5501 8343  E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp</p>