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KOREA - MEASURES CONCERNING THE SHELF-LIFE OF PRODUCTS

Notification of Mutually Agreed Solution

Communication from the Republic of Korea

Addendum

The following communication, entitled "Notification of the Corresponding Harmonized System Headings of the Products Which Remain Subject to Shelf-life Requirements in the Korean Food Code as of 1 July 1996", dated 9 August 1996, from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

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1. Further to its notification of 1 July 1996 which was circulated on 19 July 1996 (WT/DS5/5/Add.4, G/SPS/W/27/Add.4, G/TBT/D/3/Add.4, G/AG/8/Add.4), the Government of the Republic of Korea notifies the WTO of the corresponding Harmonized System (HS) headings of all of the products which remain subject to shelf-life requirement in the Korean Food Code as of 1 July 1996. Those products are listed in Attachment 1.
  2. The shelf-life status of frozen food products is clarified in Attachment 2 for the reference of interested Members.

Attachment 1

NOTIFICATION OF THE CORRESPONDING HARMONIZED SYSTEM HEADINGS  
OF THE PRODUCTS WHICH REMAIN SUBJECT TO SHELF-LIFE  
REQUIREMENTS IN THE KOREAN FOOD CODE AS OF 1 JULY 1996

Products Categories under the Food Code	Products	HS No.
1. Confectionaries	1-1 Breads and rice cakes 1. Refrigerated 2. Others	1905
3. Ice creams	3-4 Ice cream mixes 1. Pasteurized 2. Sterilized	2106.90, 1806.20 1806.90, 1901.90
4. Milk & milk products	4-1 Milk 1. Pasteurized 2. Sterilized	0401.20
	4-2 Low-fat milk 1. Pasteurized 2. Sterilized	0401.10, 0401.20
	4-3 Lactose-lysed milk 1. Pasteurized 2. Sterilized	0401.10, 0401.20
	4-4 Processed milk 1. Pasteurized 2. Sterilized	0402.99, 0404.90 1806.20, 1806.90 2202.90
	4-5 Goat milk 1. Pasteurized 2. Sterilized	0401.20, 0401.30
	4-6 Fermented milk products (excluding frozen products) 1. Fermented milk, fermented cream milk, fermented butter milk 2. Concentrated fermented milk, Concentrated fermented cream milk	0403
	4-7 Butter milk 1. Pasteurized (butter milk) 2. Sterilized (butter milk)	0403.90
4. Milk & milk products	4-8 Concentrated milk 1. Concentrated milk Concentrated skim milk 2. Pasteurized	0402.9

Products Categories under the Food Code	Products	HS No.
	4-9 Milk creams (excluding frozen products) 1. Pasteurized 2. Sterilized	0401.30, 0402.9
	4-14 Whey 1. Pasteurized 2. Sterilized	0404.10
5. Meat & meat products	5-1 Meat products 1. Ham  2. Bacon  3. Sausage, Mixed sausage a. Cooked i. Refrigerated b. Uncooked i. Refrigerated  5. Seasoned meat (Marinated meat) a. Refrigerated  6. Ground meat products a. Cooked i. Refrigerated  7. Packaged meat a. Beef b. Pork (excluding frozen meat) c. Poultry meat, miscellaneous meat (excluding frozen meat)  9. Fried meat products  10. Processed rib products - Refrigerated	1602.4, 0210.1  0210.1  1601.00  1602  1602  0201 0203.1  0204, 0205.00 0207, 0208  1601, 1602  1602
5. Meat & meat products	5-2 Egg products 1. Liquid a. Pasteurized b. Unpasteurized 2. Heated and formed	0407.00, 0408

Products Categories under the Food Code	Products	HS No.
6. Fishery products	6-1 Fishery products (excluding frozen products) 1. Pasteurized 2. Sterilized 3. Fried 4. Other refrigerated	0304, 0305, 1604.20
7. Bean curd products	7-1 Bean curd (tofu) 1. Apr. - Oct. 2. Nov.- Mar. 3. Refrigerated (0-10 C)	2106.10
	7-2 Processed bean curd (tofu) 1. Fried bean curd(tofu) or Yubu  2. Yuba a. Dried b. Other  3. Miscellaneous products a. Mar.-Nov. b. Dec.-Feb. c. Refrigerated (0-10 )	2106.10  2106.10
	7-3 Bean curd made with soy flour 1. Apr.-Oct. 2. Nov.-Mar. 3. Refrigerated (0-10 C)	2106.10
	7-4 Mooks (Korean traditional jelled products) 1. Apr.-Oct. 2. Nov.-Mar. 3. Refrigerated (0-10 C)	2106.90
9. Noodles	9-1 Noodles (excluding frozen products) 1. Uncooked/cooked a. Unpasteurized i. Apr.-Oct. ii. Nov.-Mar. iii. Refrigerated (below 10 C) b. Pasteurized i. General pasteurized c. Alcohol soaked i. Room temperature ii. Refrigerated (at 10 C or lower)	1902.19
11. Beverages	11-1 Fruit & vegetable beverages 1. Unheated fruit & vegetable juices	2009

Products Categories under the Food Code	Products	HS No.
	11-3 Soy milk 1. Pasteurized (above PH4.6)	2202.90
	11-4 Beverages containing lactic acid bacteria	2202.90
17. Kimchi & pickled foods	17-1 Kimchis 1. Others excluding sterilized or pasteurized products (including refrigerated products)	2005.90
	17-2 Jeotkals 1. Miscellaneous products excluding jeotkal, liquid jeotkal, seasoned jeotkal	1604, 1605
	17-3 Preserved products 1. Miscellaneous products excluding preserved by sugar, sterilized, pasteurized, pickled a. Refrigerated with vacuum packaging (at 10 C or lower) b. Refrigerated (at 10 C or lower) c. Ambient temperature	2005, 2008
	17-4 Hard boiled foods 1. Others excluding sterilized or pasteurized products (including refrigerated products)	1602, 1604, 1605, 2003, 2005, 2008, 2106.90
18. Alcoholic beverages	18-1 Takju 1. Unpasteurized	2206.00
	18-2 Yakju 1. Unpasteurized	2206.00
20. Miscellaneous foods	20-10 Deep-frying products for on-site consumption	
	20-12 Dosiraks 1. Dosirak, Hamburgers (for on-site consumption) a. Summer (Jun.-Sep.) b. Others (Jan.-May, Oct.-Dec.) 2. Laver rice	

Attachment 2

SHELF-LIVES OF FROZEN FOOD PRODUCTS

1. Effective 1 July 1996, shelf-lives of all frozen food products, including the frozen foods agreed upon in the Korea-US agreement regarding the shelf-life issue notified the WTO Dispute Settlement Body and other Committees concerned on 20 July 1995, shall be determined by the manufacturers of the products.

2. The Harmonized System headings of the frozen foods described in the said Korea-US agreement are as follows:

A. Frozen Meat

- Sausages and Minced Meat  
16.01.00, 16.02(.10, .20, .31, .39, .41, .42, .49, .50, .90)
- Pork and Poultry  
02.03(.21, .22, .29), 02.07(.21, .22,.23, .41, .42, .43, .50)
- Beef  
02.02(.10, .20, .30)

B. Other Frozen Foods

- 03.06 (.11, .12, .13, .14, .19)
- 04.06 (.10, .30, .0)
- 04.08 (.19, .99)
- 07.10 (.10, .21, .22, .29, .30, .40, .80, .90)
- 08.11 (.10, .20, .90)
- 16.04 (.11, .12, .13, .14, .15, .16, .19, .20, .30)
- 16.05 (.10, .20, .30, .40, .90)
- 19.05 (.10, .20, .30, .40, .90)
- 20.02 (.10, .90)
- 20.04 (.10, .90)
- 20.08 (.11, .19, .20, .30, .40, .50, .60, .70, .80, .91, .92, .99)
- 20.09 (.11, .20, .30, .40, .50, .60, .70, .80, .90)