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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

1. Notifying Member: CHILE

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- **2. Agency responsible:** *Ministerio de Salud, Departamento Nutrición y Alimentos* (Ministry of Health, Food and Nutrition Department)
- 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): Foods
- 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: Propuesta de modificación parcial del Artículo 160 del Reglamento Sanitario de los Alimentos, Decreto Supremo Nº 977/96 del Ministerio de Salud (Draft partial amendment to Article 160 of the Food Health Regulations, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 of the Ministry of Health) Language(s): Spanish Number of pages: 2 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/CHL/16 3563 00 s.pdf
- **6. Description of content:** The draft amendment relates to the maximum levels of mercury permitted in the following foods.

ARTICLE 160. The mercury content of the following foods must not exceed the maximum levels indicated below:

1. Non-predatory fish, including fresh and processed fish (e.g. frozen, smoked, canned, breaded): 0.5 mg/kg final product

Notes:

Excludes marine-derived oils;

Limit for methylmercury;

It is only necessary to determine the level of methylmercury if the total mercury concentration exceeds this limit.

2. Non-predatory fish, including fresh and processed fish (e.g. frozen, smoked, canned, breaded): 1 mg/kg final product

Covers inter alia: shark (Hexanchus griseus, Deania calcea, Isurus oxyrinchus, Lamna nasus, etc.), swordfish (Xiphias gladius), tuna (Thunnus albacares, Thunnus alalunga, Gatrochisma melampus, Katsuwonus pelamis, Thunnus obesus, etc.), Patagonian toothfish (Dissostichus eleginoides).

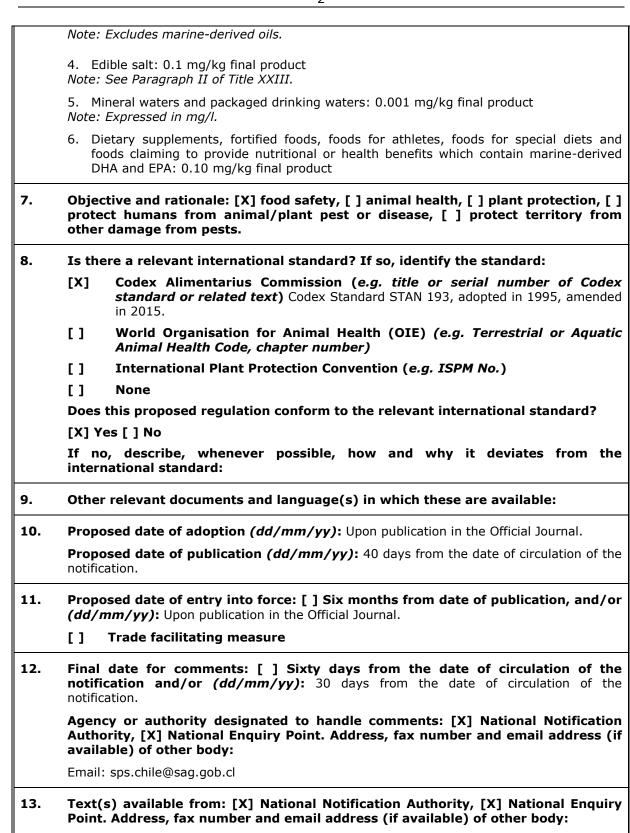
Notes:

Excludes marine-derived oils;

Limit for methylmercury;

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3. Shellfish, including fresh and processed shellfish (e.g. frozen, smoked, canned, breaded): 0.5 mg/kg final product



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