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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 Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)
- 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):
  - 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)
  - Dairy produce and birds' eggs (HS Codes: 04.01, 04.07 and 04.08)
  - Products of animal origin (HS Code: 05.04)
  - 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)
  - 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 and 08.14)
  - Coffee, tea, mate and spices (HS Codes: 09.01, 09.02, 09.03, 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10)
  - Cereals (HS Codes: 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.04, 10.05, 10.07 and 10.08)
  - Oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruits (HS Codes: 12.01, 12.02, 12.04, 12.05, 12.06, 12.07, 12.10 and 12.12)
  - Animal or vegetable fats and oils (HS Codes: 15.01, 15.02 and 15.06)
- 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:** Revision of the Standards and Specifications for Foods and Food Additives under the Food Sanitation Act (Revision of agricultural chemical residue standards). **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 5

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- **6. Description of content:** Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical: Pesticide: Pyraclostrobin.
- 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): Pesticide Residues in Food and feed Pesticide Index 210 Pyraclostrobin

	[ ] 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?
	[ ] Yes [X] No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
	Japanese radish, leaves The Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan (MHLW) conducted dietary exposure assessment for Pyraclostrobin on the basis of national consumption data and the supervised trial residue data. As a result of this, the estimated short term dietary intake for "Japanese radish, leaves" may exceed an ARfD of 0.05mg/kg bodyweight which was established by the Food Safety Commission of Japan. Therefore Japan proposes deletion of MRL in such commodity in order to protect consumers' health.
	Water melon, melons and Makuwauri melon The portion of commodities to which MRLs apply and which are analyzed are different from that of Codex for some commodities such as water melon, melons, and Makuwauri melon. The portion of those commodities to which is analyzed in Japan is "edible portions after removal of inedible peel", while that of Codex is "whole commodity after removal of stems". As such, Japan proposes MRLs in water melon (0.2 ppm) and melons (0.05 ppm) based on residue data from supervised trials which were conducted according to the Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) in Japan, instead of Codex MRLs.
	Raisin The current MRLs of 5 ppm in raisin will be deleted because the MRL of 2 ppm in raw grapes are going to be set on the basis of the submitted data. MRLs in raw agricultural commodities apply to their processed commodities (including raisin) taking into account the processing factors. Therefore, the deletion of MRLs in raisin will not strengthen the current regulation, and all the proposed MRLs conform to the Codex MRLs.
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Food Sanitation Act (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption </b> (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.
	<b>Proposed date of publication </b> (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): These proposed standards will take effect after a certain period of grace.
	[ ] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 November 2017. Comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles and white circles in attached annexes).
	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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