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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> 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) Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates (HS Codes: 03.02, 03.03, 03.04, 03.06 and 03.07) Dairy produce and birds' eggs (HS Codes: 04.01, 04.07 and 04.08) Products of animal origin (HS Code: 05.04) 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: 2
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/JPN/18_0690_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical: Veterinary drug: Spectinomycin.
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): Veterinary Drug Residues in food -CAC/MRL 2-2017 -Spectinomycin
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>):
	[] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
	[] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

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[X]Yes []No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- **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. Proposed date of adoption (***dd/mm/yy***):** As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.

Proposed date of publication (*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***):** 6 April 2018. 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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