

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON  
TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>JAPAN</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
3.	Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [ ], 7.3.2 [ ], 7.4.1 [ ], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Fertilizers (HS: 31.01, 31.04, 31.05)
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Amendment to the Official Standards for Ordinary Fertilizers, (available in Japanese, 2 pages)
6.	Description of content:  (1) To establish the standards for magnesium phosphate fertilizer.  (2) To establish the standards for fused compound fertilizer.  (3) To amend the standards for fertilizer incorporated with agricultural chemicals and other substances.
7.	Objective and rationale: To amend the Official Standards for Ordinary Fertilizers, in response to change of farmer's need for fertilizers, and to a request from producers of fertilizers.
8.	Relevant documents: The basic law is the Fertilizer Control Law.  The said standards will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: January 1994
10.	Final date for comments: 1 November 1993
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: