

**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.

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| 1. | Party to Agreement notifying: <u>SWITZERLAND</u>  |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Federal Veterinary Office   |
| 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. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):<br><br>Slaughter animals, fresh meat  |
| 5. | Title and number of pages of the notified document: Ordinance on the Slaughtering and the Examination of Slaughter Animals and Meat (Meat Ordinance)  |
| 6. | Description of content: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Requirements to meet by slaughtering plants;</li><li>- Instalments for official examination;</li><li>- Granting of slaughtering plants;</li><li>- Requirements to meet by slaughter animals;</li><li>- Examination of slaughter animals and meat;</li><li>- Implementation by the cantons;</li><li>- Competencies of the meat inspector;</li><li>- Competencies of the meat controller;</li><li>- Fees.</li></ul> |
| 7. | Objective and rationale: The new Swiss food hygiene legislation requires a revision of all regulations under the Foodstuff Law of 9 October 1992. This Ordinance covers the domain of slaughtering hygiene and the examination of slaughtering animals and meat.  |

8. Relevant documents: Swiss law:

The Ordinance is based on Articles 37 and 46 of the Foodstuff Law of 9 October 1992 (LMG; BB1 1992 VI 117).

European community law:

The Ordinance is compatible with the EC Regulation on Meat Hygiene, above all 64/433(B18), 71/118(B20), 77/99(B21), 81/602(B26), 85/358(B27), 85/446(A62), 86/469(B29), 87/410(A69), 88/146(B28), 88/299(A73), 88/657(B22), 89/153(A70), 89/187(A72), 89/214(T125), 89/358(A71), 89/610(A66), 90/515(A63), 91/493(B24), 91/495(B34), 91/498(B19), 92/45(B34).

9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: January 1995

10. Final date for comments: 12 May 1994

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: