NOTIFICATION

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| **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 Codes: 05.04);
* Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS Codes: 07.07, 07.09, 07.10, 07.13 and 07.14);
* Edible fruits and nuts, peel of citrus/melons (HS Codes: 08.01, 08.02, 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: 09.02, 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10);
* Oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruits (HS Codes: 12.07 and 12.10);
* Animal or vegetable fats and oils (HS Codes: 15.01, 15.02 and 15.06).
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| **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:** 3<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/JPN/18_4801_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemicalPesticide/Veterinary drug: Etoxazole |
| **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/Veterinary drug Residues in Food and feed - Pesticide/Veterinary drug Index - 241 - Etoxazole**[ ]** **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?** **[****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)*:** 9 November 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:** Japan Enquiry PointInternational Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp |