NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Philippines  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Resources (BAFS) |
| **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):** Corn |
| **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:** Philippine National Standard - Code of practice for the prevention and reduction of aflatoxin contamination in corn. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 7  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/PHL/17_4777_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This code provides adequate measures to manage aflatoxin contamination in the supply chain following the framework of farm to table approach to food safety. It also provides guidance to all persons involved in producing and handling corn intended for human and animal consumption for entry into local and international trade. |
| **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)*:**   * CAC/RCP 55. 2004. Code of Practice for the Prevention and Reduction of Aflatoxin Contamination in Peanuts. 7 pp. * CAC/RCP 51. 2003. Code of Practice for the Prevention and Reduction of Mycotoxin Contamination in Cereals, including annexes on Ocratoxin A, Zearalenone, Fumonisins 256 and Tricothecenes. 8 pp. * CAC/RCP 45. 1997. Code of Practice for the Reduction of Aflatoxin B1 in Raw Materials and Supplemental Feeding Stuffs for Milk Producing Animals. 4 pp.   **[ ]** **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:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 13 November 2017  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  Department of Agriculture (DA)  Office of the Director  Policy Research Service  Department of Agriculture  Elliptical Road, Diliman  Quezon City  Tel: +(632) 926 7439  Fax: +(632) 928 0590  E-mail: spspilipinas@da.gov.ph  or  Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards  BPI Compound, Visayas Avenue, Diliman  Quezon City  Tel: +(632) 455 0031  +(632) 455 2858  +(632) 455 2856  Fax: +(632) 455 0031  E-mail: bafs@da.gov.ph  Website: <http://bafs.da.gov.ph> |
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