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**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures** 

## **NOTIFICATION**

1.	Notifying Member: <u>AUSTRALIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:		
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry		
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): Whole egg, egg yolk and egg white powder		
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:		
	[X]	All trading partners	
	[]	Specific regions or countries:	
5.		<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Australian import conditions for whole egg, egg yolk, and egg white powder - Final report. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 13	
	https:/	//www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/policy/risk-analysis/animal/egg-powder	
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Australia has conducted a policy review of the Australian import conditions for whole egg, egg yolk, and egg white powder. The report recommends new heat treatment requirements which are lower than existing heat treatment requirements and are closer to standard industry practices be added as an alternative option to existing heat treatment requirements. The new conditions ensure continuity of trade and manage the biosecurity risks to meet Australia's appropriate level of protection.		
7.	Objective and rationale: [ ] food safety, [X] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.		
8.	Is the	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:	
	[]	Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):	
	[X]	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Health Code, Chapters 10.4 and 10.9	
	[]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):	
	[]	None	
	Does	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): 13 November 2023 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 13 November 2023
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Mid November 2023.
  - Trade facilitating measure Additional heat treatment options permitted to align with standard industry practices.
- Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the 12. notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 January 2024

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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