



**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> BANGLADESH <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Bangladesh Food Safety Authority
<b>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):</b> Food products
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Food Safety (Pesticides Residues and Other Chemical Residues) Regulations, 2023. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 118
<b>6. Description of content:</b> In accordance with Food Safety Act 2013 (Act No. 43 of 2013), section 13 (4), the draft regulation is about the Maximum Residue Limit (MRL) of pesticide and plant growth regulators in food. Maximum Residue Limits stipulated in Schedule-1 and Schedule-2 are in most cases stated in terms of a specific whole raw agricultural commodity as it moves in trade. In Schedule-1 MRL of 163 Pesticide molecules are considered. The widely used plant growth regulator Ethephon's MRL is stated in Schedule-2. Portion of commodity to which the maximum residues limits (MRL) applies are described in Schedule-3. The Pesticide residues in food shall comply with the MRLs set forth in the draft Food Safety (Pesticides Residues and Other Chemical Residues) Regulations, 2023. In cases other than those specified in the list Schedule-1 and Schedule-2, the pesticide residues in food shall not exceed the limits as stipulated in the latest edition of Codex Alimentarius Commission or the internationally recognized standards.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> Codex standard, entitled "Codex Pesticide Residues in Food" and other foreign standards <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b>

<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Yet to be decided. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Yet to be decided.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): They shall come into force after six month from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette. <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 12 September 2023 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Sourav Singha Scientific Officer (Certification section) Bangladesh Food Safety Authority BSL Office Complex (Building-2) 119, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Shahbagh, Dhaka-1000 Tel: +(880 22) 2222 7596 Mobile: +(880 16) 7639 7266 E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@bfsa.gov.bd">sps@bfsa.gov.bd</a> Website: <a href="http://www.bfsa.gov.bd/">http://www.bfsa.gov.bd/</a></p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Sourav Singha Scientific Officer (Certification section) Bangladesh Food Safety Authority BSL Office Complex (Building-2) 119, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Shahbagh, Dhaka-1000 Tel: +(880 22) 2222 7596 Mobile: +(880 16) 7639 7266 E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@bfsa.gov.bd">sps@bfsa.gov.bd</a> Website: <a href="http://www.bfsa.gov.bd/">http://www.bfsa.gov.bd/</a></p>