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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

1.	Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:				
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)				
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): Hay (HS codes: 12.13, 12.14) for feed				
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> Amendments to the Enforcement Ordinance of the Standards of Feed and Feed Additives (Amendment of an agricultural chemical residue standard). <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b>				
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Proposal for the amendments of the maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the agricultural chemical: Pendimethalin.				
	Comm	odity (for feed)	Proposed MRL(mg/kg)	Current MRL(mg/kg)	
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	Residu	Residue definition for enforcement: Pendimethalin.			
		Hay includes hay and fodder (dry), straw, forage (green) and silage. The MRL is set as $90\%$ dry matter base.			
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]	[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Maximum Residue Limits (MRL) for Pesticides (CAC/MRL 1). The Codex Alimentarius Commission has established MRLs for Pendimethalin for alfalfa fodder and hay or fodder of grasses.			
	[]	[ ] 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?				

## [] Yes [X] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

Hay (only alfalfa): Proposed MRL is calculated from supervised trials residue data on alfalfa (hay) provided in accordance with the guideline of Import Tolerance.

Hay (except alfalfa): Proposed MRL is calculated from supervised trials residue data on grass (hay) provided with the guideline of Import Tolerance.

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: These amendments are to be publicised in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted (available in Japanese).

The current MRLs list for feed is available at the following website (available in English): <a href="http://www.famic.go.jp/ffis/feed/r safety/r feeds safety.html">http://www.famic.go.jp/ffis/feed/r safety/r feeds safety.html</a>.

- **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): Amendment of the MRLs will enter into force at the date of publication.
  - [ ] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 16 December 2022

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:

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