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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

## NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u>
  - 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): All food
- 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 Specifications and Standards for Foods, Food Additives, etc. under the Food Sanitation Act (Revision of agricultural chemical residue standards). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/JPN/22 7344 00 e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** Proposal of maximum residue limit (MRL) for the following agricultural chemical. Designation of veterinary drug Roxarsone as an ingredient of the agricultural chemicals that are stipulated to be "Should not be detected" in food.
- 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:
  - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):
  - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
  - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
  - [X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]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, this standard is 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 of the comment period.

**Proposed date of publication (***dd/mm/yy***):** As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period.

**11. Proposed date of entry into force:** [] **Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** *(dd/mm/yy)*: This proposed standard 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*): 30 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:

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

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