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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 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.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> The establishment of an exemption from the requirement of an MRL for residues of pesticide under the Food Sanitation Act. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 1
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/JPN/23 09932 00 e.pdf
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The establishment of an exemption from the requirement of an MRL for residues of pesticide: Zinc oxide. It will be stipulated to be "The substance in food that does not pose any adverse health effect".
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, these MRLs are to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).

- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): In due course.Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): In due course.
- 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.
  - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

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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