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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):
	<ul> <li>Meat and edible meat offal (HS Codes: 02.01, 02.02, 02.03, 02.04, 02.05, 02.06, 02.07, 02.08 and 02.09)</li> <li>Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates (HS Codes: 03.02, 03.03, 03.04, 03.06, 03.07 and 03.08)</li> <li>Dairy produce, birds' eggs and natural honey (HS Codes: 04.01, 04.07, 04.08 and 04.09)</li> <li>Animal originated products (HS Code: 05.04)</li> <li>Animal fats and oils (HS Codes: 15.01, 15.02 and 15.06)</li> </ul>
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> Revision of the Specifications and Standards for Foods, Food Additives, Etc. under the Food Sanitation Act (Revision of agricultural chemical residue standards). <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 2
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/JPN/21 5530 00 e.pdf
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Proposal of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical: Veterinary drug: Zeranol.
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] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Veterinary Drug Residues in Food - Zeranol
	[] 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?

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#### [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:** 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***):** 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)***:** These proposed standards 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***)**: 1 November 2021. Comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles and white circles in attached annexes).

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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