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

## **NOTIFICATION**

1. Notifying Member: SRI LANKA

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- **2. Agency responsible:** Food Control Administration Unit
- 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): Bottled or packaged natural mineral water and bottled or packaged drinking water
- 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: Draft Food (Bottled or Packaged Water) Regulations 2018. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 23

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/LKA/19 0082 00 e.pdf

## 6. Description of content:

These standards apply for:

- bottled or packaged natural mineral water; and
- bottled or packaged drinking water.

The regulations set out the following requirements for bottled or packaged natural mineral water and bottled or packaged drinking water:

- No person shall:
  - obtain water from any source unless such source has been registered with the Chief Food Authority;
  - use any premises for bottle or package natural mineral water or drinking water unless such premises have been registered with the Chief Food Authority; and
  - import bottled or packaged natural mineral water or drinking water, without obtaining a Certificate of Registration on that behalf from the Chief Food Authority,

provided however that in the case of imported bottled or packaged natural mineral water or drinking water a health certificate shall be obtained from the Competent Authority in charge of food safety of the country of export;

- No person shall expose for sale, sell, distribute, transport or advertise any bottled or packaged natural mineral water or drinking water unless such product:
  - · has been duly registered with the Chief Food Authority; and
  - complies with the provisions of these regulations.

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): CODEX STAN 227-2001, CODEX STAN 108-1981, CODEX STAN 1-1985, CODEX STAN 234-1999
	[]	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?	
	[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:	
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: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):	
	[]	Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 March 2019	
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