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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>SINGAPORE</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Singapore Food Agency
- 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): Infant cereal products (HS code: 190110)
- 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: Pre-Import Requirements for Infant Cereal Products. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/SGP/22 8896 00 e.pdf

6. **Description of content:** A new set of pre-import control measures will be introduced as a voluntary scheme for infant cereal products. Importers who are able to meet the imports conditions under the voluntary scheme can register their suppliers with the Singapore Food Agency (SFA), and will be exempted from the current requirement for Aflatoxin B1 testing for every consignment. For importers who do not wish to join the voluntary scheme, the current pre-import control measures remain applicable and unchanged.

A summary of the pre-import control measures can be found through the link in Item 5.

- 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:
- **10. Proposed date of adoption (***dd/mm/yy***):** 60 days from the date of circulation of the notification.

Proposed date of publication (*dd/mm/yy***):** 60 days from the date of circulation of the notification.

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*: 60 days from the date of circulation.

[X] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 20 February 2023

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

The current pre-import requirements for infant cereal products can be found on SFA's website at: <u>https://www.sfa.gov.sg/food-import-export/conditions-for-specific-types-of-food-for-import</u>. This will be updated when the new set of requirements enter into force after the 60-day comment period.

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