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

## **NOTIFICATION**

- 1. Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU
  - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture
- 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): Animals and animal products
- 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: The Draft of the Regulations for the Importation of Objects Subject to Animal Quarantine. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 205 https://www.baphig.gov.tw/en/files/baphig/web\_structure/21445/A01\_1.pdf
- **6. Description of content:** The draft of the regulations includes related quarantine requirements relating to foreign animal quarantine objects imported from trading partners, and so forth. There are 23 articles, which are amended and adjusted in accordance with the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Animals and Animal Products", stating the reasons for drafting the regulations that are to define importing animals and their products subject to animal quarantine, clarify the quarantine requirements prior to export, elaborate application procedures on arrival, including veterinary certificates and other relevant documents required for the application, and quarantine measures of post-entry based on risk assessments. In addition, 53 draft amendments of quarantine requirements are attached to the articles, which elaborate on the details regarding the diseases status, diagnostic tests of certain animal infectious diseases, criteria of processing procedures, content of veterinary certificates, etc., required by the central competent authority and import/export animal quarantine authority prior to export.

Accordingly, the body of the drafted regulation is similar to the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Animals and Animal Products", and the order of its attachments has been rearranged without significant amendments of substantive contents or new requirements.

7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [X] 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):
	[X]	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Related chapters of Sections 1, 2, 4-15 in the Terrestrial and Sections 1, 2, 4-5, 9-11 in the Aquatic Animal Health Code
	[]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
	[]	None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?	
	[X] Yes [ ] No	
		, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the ational standard:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The Draft of the Regulation of the Importation of Objects Subject to Animal Quarantine (Council of Agriculture Announcement, Nong Fang Zi No. 1101481293 dated 26 May 2021) can be found at: <a href="https://www.coa.gov.tw/theme_data.php?theme=publication&amp;id=5340">https://www.coa.gov.tw/theme_data.php?theme=publication&amp;id=5340</a> (available in Chinese).	
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: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.	
	[]	Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 December 2021	
	Autho	ry or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification rity, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if ble) 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:	
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