

8 June 2023

(23-3935)

Page: 1/2

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health and Welfare
- 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): Food irradiation
- 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 Standard for Foods Treated with Ionising Radiation. Language(s): Chinese and English. Number of pages: 4 in total

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/TPKM/23 10131 00 x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/TPKM/23 10131 00 e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** This regulation aims to Delete the radiation exposure treatment items related to the purpose of animal and plant epidemic prevention and quarantine. In the future, it will return to the supervision of the Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture and set another management standard.
- 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:** Draft Standard for Foods Treated with Ionising Radiation (MOHW Food No. 1121300945, DD MM 2023) is available in English from the National Notification Authority, National Enquiry Point, and Ministry of Health and Welfare. The standards will be published in the Official Government Gazette when adopted. The full text may be downloaded from the following website: <u>http://www.fda.gov.tw/eng/index.aspx</u> (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*): 7 August 2023

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture 9F, No.100, Sec. 2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 100060, Taiwan Tel: +(886) 2 3343 2091 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtosps@mail.baphig.gov.tw

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

Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture 9F, No.100, Sec. 2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 100060, Taiwan Tel: +(886) 2 3343 2091 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtosps@mail.baphig.gov.tw