

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

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| <b>1. Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>SOUTH AFRICA</u><br><b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>  |
| <b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Health  |
| <b>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):</b> All food products   |
| <b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Any country importing food products into South Africa  |
| <b>5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Regulations Relating to the Application of the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point System (HACCP System). Government Notice No. R. 492 dated 26 April 2002. (17 pages) (electronic version 20 pages).  |
| <b>6. Description of content:</b> The content announces the phased implementation of HACCP across various food sectors and/or categories of food handling enterprises for locally produced foods as well as the requirements for similar imported foodstuffs.   |
| <b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests   |
| <b>8. International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input type="checkbox"/> None<br><b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b> Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) System and Guidelines for its Application, published in the Supplement to Volume 1B – 1997 document of Codex Alimentarius Commission. |
| <b>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Government Gazette No. 23340 dated 26 April 2002. English.   |
| <b>10. Proposed date of adoption:</b> When the final amendments to the regulations are published in the Government Gazette. This is not expected before December 2002.  |
| <b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> On publication of the final amendments to the regulations as published in the Government Gazette.   |

**12. Final date for comments:** 26 July 2002.

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