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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Republic of Korea**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Food and Drug Safety |
| **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 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:** Proposed Amendments to the Standards and Specifications for Foods.**Language(s):** . **Number of pages:** <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/KOR/20_6015_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** 1. Revise the Specifications for Clostridium perfringens in 'Kimchi products', 'pickled products', 'boiled foods', 'composite seasoning', 'vinegars' and 'curry powder and curry (except liquid products)'
2. Revise the Specifications for bacterial count and coliforms in liquid coffee
3. Revise the Standard for Arsenic in 'Fish oil'
4. Revise the lists of food ingredients (Annex 1 ~ 3)
5. Revise and establish the maximum residual limits of pesticides in agricultural products (27 pesticides including Kasugamycin)
6. Revise and establish Maximum Residual limits for veterinary drugs (4 veterinary drugs including Lubabegron)
7. Revise and establish the General Test Methods
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| **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:** Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2020-427, 28 Sep 2020 (available in Korean)  |
| **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 December 2020**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:** International Cooperation OfficeMinistry of Food and Drug safety#187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu Cheongju-si, Chungcheongbuk-do363-700, KoreaTel: +(8243) 719 1569Fax: +(8243) 719 1550E-mail: intmfds@korea.kr  |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Documents are available from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety website at <http://www.mfds.go.kr>. Also available from:International Cooperation OfficeMinistry of Food and Drug Safety#187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu Cheongju-si, Chungcheongbuk-doTel: +(8243) 719 1569Fax: +(8243) 719 1550E-mail: intmfds@korea.kr  |