NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) |
| **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 in general (ICS Code 67.040) |
| **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 Kingdom of Saudi Arabia/Gluten-free foods No: "SFDA.FD 1021".**Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 11  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/SAU/22_1805_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The scope of the draft technical regulation covers the following:  1.1 Food for special nutritional uses that has been prepared to meet the special nutritional needs of people who are gluten intolerant;  2.1 Food intended for public consumption and which, by its nature, is suitable for the use of persons who are gluten intolerant. |
| **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:**  **[****X]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** CXS 118:2015  **[ ]****World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]****None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X]** **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)*:** To be determined.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
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| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 26 April 2022  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Saudi Food and Drug Authority  SFDA - 4904 North Ring branch rd- Hitteen Dist Unit Number (1) - Riyadh 13513 - 7148  Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext. 3158  Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825  E-mail: SPSEP.Food@sfda.gov.sa  Website: <http://www.sfda.gov.sa> |
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