NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Japan  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries  **Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:** |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****],** **5.7.1 [****],** **other****:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Fertilizer (HS: 3101, 3105); FERTILIZERS (HS 31); Animal or vegetable fertilisers, whether or not mixed together or chemically treated; fertilisers produced by the mixing or chemical treatment of animal or vegetable products (excl. those in pellet or similar forms, or in packages with a gross weight of <= 10 kg) (HS 3101); Mineral or chemical fertilisers containing two or three of the fertilising elements nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium; other fertilisers (excl. pure animal or vegetable fertilisers or mineral or chemical nitrogenous, phosphatic or potassic fertilisers); animal, vegetable, mineral or chemical fertilisers in tablets or similar forms or in packages of a gross weight of <= 10 kg (HS 3105) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Establishment of new standards for Normal Fertilizers (3 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** MAFF will amend administerial rules for official specification of normal fertilizer as follows;  1. The government of Japan establishes new standards for "Fused Silicate Fertilizer".  2. The government of Japan establishes new standards of Raw-materials Specification. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** To revise the administerial rules of the Act on the Quality Control of Fertilizer so that it can reflect advancement of agricultural and scientific technology that contributes to human health and promotes agricultural productivity.; Protection of human health or safety |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** Act on the Quality Control of Fertilizer (1950 Law No.127).  When the revision is adopted, relevant documents are to be publicised in the Official Gazette, "KAMPO" (Available in Japanese). |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** February 2022  **Proposed date of entry into force:** March 2022 |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  Japan TBT Enquiry Point International Trade Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: (+81) 3 5501 8343 E-mail: [enquiry@mofa.go.jp](mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/TBT/JPN/21_7027_00_e.pdf> |