NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Ministry of Agriculture |
| **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):** Fresh apples |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[****]** **All trading partners** **[****X]** **Specific regions or countries:** Canada |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Draft of the "Quarantine requirements for the importation of fresh apples from Canada".**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 1[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TPKM/24\_01614\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TPKM/24_01614_00_e.pdf%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The draft regulates the quarantine requirements for the importation of apples from Canada. Fresh Canadian apples shall be subject to a systems approach including registration of supplying orchards and packinghouses, releasing sterile codling moth, pre-selection procedures, and export inspection. The importing fresh apples would also have to be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate issued by the national plant protection organization of Canada declaring that the regulated measures addressed in this draft quarantine requirements are met. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****]****food safety, [****]****animal health, [****X]****plant protection, [****]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [****X]****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)*:** **[****X]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** ISPM No. 14 and No. 24**[****]** **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. |
| **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)*:** 27 April 2024**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:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Ministry of Agriculture9F, No.100, Sec. 2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 100060, TaiwanTel: +(886) 2 3343 2091Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200E-mail: wtosps@aphia.gov.twWebsite: <http://www.aphia.gov.tw/> |
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