NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** THAILAND**If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives**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 [****], 3.2 [****], 7.2 [****],** **other****:**  |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Freshdurian *(Durio* spp*.)* (HS Code 0810.60) (ICS Code: 67.080.10) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft Thai Agricultural Standard entitled "Code of Practice on Inspection and Receiving of Durians for Collecting house and Packing house"; (11 page(s), in English), (12 page(s), in Thai) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Thai Agricultural Standardestablishes code of practice on inspection and receiving of durians for a collecting house and a packing house. It covers requirements on inspection and receiving of durians for collecting house and packing house prior to further management process (e.g., preparing, sorting, packing, storage and transportation) in order to obtain the whole fruits that are mature according to the standard's requirements for the purposes of distribution, export and import.This Thai Agricultural Standard does not apply to the inspection and receiving of durians supplied for the preparation of ready-to-eat fresh pre-cut durians and for the production of quick-frozen durians. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Quality requirement; the accelerating harvest of durians for fresh consumption prior to reaching their required maturity is a problem. As a result, immature durians occasionally enter into the market, affecting consumers' confidence and overall trade disruption. Thus, it is necessary to have a code of practice for durian collecting houses and packing houses to help support the trade of mature durians, according to their quality standards, and to build confidence of consumers and trading partners. ; Quality requirements |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** The Agricultural Standards Act B.E. 2551 (2008) |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined**Proposed date of entry into force:** 90 days after published in Royal Gazette |
| **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:** National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food StandardsMinistry of Agriculture and Cooperatives50 Paholyothin Rd., Ladyao, Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900Tel: +(662) 561 4024Fax: +(662) 561 4034, +(662) 561 4088E-mail: codex@acfs.go.thspsthailand@gmail.comWebsite: <http://www.acfs.go.th><http://www.spsthailand.net><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/THA/23_1016_00_e.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/THA/23_1016_00_x.pdf> |