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Report Highlights:

Thailand announced to the World Trade Organization on October 28, 2026 that as of October 5 of the same year that the country would accept an additional international standard as conforming with domestic Ministerial regulations related to food safety in peanut kernels. This report identifies the newly accepted standard and includes an unofficial translation of the amended regulation. Stakeholders should conduct their own review to assess any market or regulatory impacts on their business.

THIS REPORT CONTAINS ASSESSMENTS OF COMMODITY AND TRADE ISSUES MADE BY USDA STAFF AND NOT NECESSARILY STATEMENTS OF OFFICIAL U.S. GOVERNMENT POLICY

Summary

On October 28, 2026, Thailand's National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) submitted World Trade Organization (WTO) notification G/SPS/N/THA/216/Add.7. The notification informs WTO members that from October 5, 2026, Thailand expanded the list of internationally recognized standards that businesses can use to demonstrate compliance with Thailand's mandatory agricultural commodity standard for peanut kernels.

The international standards that now comply with the requirements of the Ministerial Regulation on the Establishment of the Thai Agricultural Standard for Peanut Kernels: Maximum Level of Aflatoxin as a Mandatory Standard, B.E. 2558 (2015), are as follows:

1. The system standards or production system standards[1], namely
   (a) Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) complied with Codex General Principles of Food Hygiene or equivalent;
   (b) Hazards Analysis and Critical Control Point System (HACCP) complied with Codex General Principles of Food Hygiene or equivalent;
   (c) Food Safety Management System (FSMS) complied with ISO/IEC 22000;
   (d) Global standard for Food Safety Issue 9. British Retail Consortium;
   (e) Food Safety System Certification: FSSC 22000 version 6.0 issued by The Foundation for Food Safety System Certification. (New)
2. Aflatoxin analytical standards established by a national organization or international organizations such as Codex Alimentarius (Codex), International Organization for Standardization (ISO), AOAC International (AOAC) or analytical methods published in manual or international journals or analytical methods with the validation results obtained through the acknowledged procedures

This report provides an unofficial translation of the ACFS notification that accompanied the WTO notification.

[1] The section in bold reflects the new addition.

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Notification of the National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards
Re: List of International Standards Complying with Mandatory Standards (No. 2)

Whereas it is deemed appropriate to amend the Notification of the National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards Re: List of International Standards Complying with Mandatory Standards, dated 27 November B.E. 2568 (2025), due to the recognition of additional international standards aligned with the requirements of the Ministerial Regulation Establishing Agricultural Commodity Standard for Peanut Kernels: Maximum Level for Aflatoxin as Mandatory Standard B.E. 2558 (2015);

By virtue of the authority under Clause 5 of the Notification of the Agricultural Standards Committee Re: Rules, Procedures, and Conditions for the Approval of Foreign Inspection and Certification Bodies with Standards Different from Mandatory Standards, dated 25 October B.E. 2562 (2019), issued under Section 30, paragraph three, of the Agricultural Standards Act B.E. 2551 (2008), as amended by the Agricultural Standards Act (No. 3) B.E. 2561 (2018), the National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards hereby adds the following international standards to the list of standards that comply with mandatory standards:

The following provision shall be added as (e) under Clause 2 (1) of the Notification of the National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards Re: List of International Standards Complying with Mandatory Standards, dated 27 November B.E. 2568 (2025):

"(e) Food Safety System Certification Scheme (Food Safety System Certification: FSSC 22000) Version 6.0 issued by The Foundation for Food Safety System Certification."

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Attachments:

GSPSNTHA216Add.7. ACFS Notification Re List of International Standards Complying with Mandatory Standards (No. 2).pdf