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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

Revision

1. Notifying Member: <u>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives
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): Fruits and derived products (ICS code: 67.080.10)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Draft Thai Agricultural Standard entitled "Code of Practice for Sulfur Dioxide Fumigation of Fresh Fruits". Language(s): Thai and English. Number of pages: 7 and 7 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/THA/26_02313_00_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/THA/26_02313_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: This mandatory standard is a revision of the Thai Agricultural Standard (TAS) 1004–2014: Code of Practice for Sulphur Dioxide Fumigation of Fresh Fruits. The standard covers requirements related to establishment, training and competency of personnel, waste management, control of operation, documentation and records. The objectives are to ensure that fresh fruits fumigated with sulfur dioxide are safe for consumption, and are of appropriate product quality, and that the fumigation process does not adversely affect the environment. This Thai Agricultural Standard does not cover the fumigation of fresh fruits with sulfur dioxide other than in fumigation chamber. The revised standard includes amendments to the following key aspects: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revision of the scope of the standard to establish the code of practice for sulfur dioxide fumigation of fresh fruits intended for export;• Revision of requirements for establishment, training and competency of personnel, control of operation, documentation and records;• Addition of requirements regarding monitoring of the operation;• Addition of clearer requirements for receiving and preparation of fresh fruit raw materials;• Revision of requirements for documentation and records, requiring records to be maintained at all stages of the production process to support production improvement and enable traceability in case of product issues.

7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CXS 1-1969 (Revised in 2020, 2022). General Principles of Food Hygiene</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The Agricultural Standards Act B.E. 2551 (2008)</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): A transition period of 180 days from the date of publication of the Ministerial Notification in the Royal Gazette shall be granted.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 June 2026</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) 50 Phaholyothin Road, Ladyao Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900 Thailand Tel: +(662) 561 4204 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: spsthailand@acfs.go.th spsthailand@gmail.com plantgroup.acfs@gmail.com</p> <p>Websites: http://www.acfs.go.th http://www.spsthailand.acfs.go.th/</p>

13. Text(s) available from: National Notification Authority, National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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