NOTIFICATION

Revision

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** TÜRKIYE**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry/General Directorate of Food and Control |
| **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):** Spirit drinks |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[X] All trading partners** **[ ] Specific regions or countries:**  |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Turkish Food Codex Communiqué on Spirit Drinks. **Language(s):** Turkish. **Number of pages:** 30<https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr/GKGM/Duyuru/657/Mevzuat-Taslagi-Tgk-Distile-Alkollu-Ickiler-Tebligi><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/TUR/25_05066_00_x.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/TUR/25_05066_01_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Communiqué covers the procedures and principles regarding the preparation, processing, production, storage, transportation, preservation, marketing of distilled spirit drinks, including the definition and characteristics of distilled alcoholic beverages. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] 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)*:** **[ ] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[X] None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?****[ ] 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:** * Veterinary, Phytosanitary, Food and Feed Law No: 5996 (G/SPS/N/TUR/9)
* Regulation (EU) 2019/787 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 on the definition, description, presentation and labelling of spirit drinks, the use of the names of spirit drinks in the presentation and labelling of other foodstuffs, the protection of geographical indications for spirit drinks, the use of ethyl alcohol and distillates of agricultural origin in alcoholic beverages, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 110/2008
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| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 13 November 2025**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 13 November 2025 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** This Communiqué shall enter into force on the date of its publication.* Food business operators that were in operation prior to the date of publication of this Communiqué must comply with the provisions of this Communiqué by 30 June 2026.
* Food business operators that were in operation prior to the date of publication of this Communiqué must comply with the Communiqué in force now until they comply with the new Communiqué.
* Products that were placed on the market or had their import official controls completed prior to the publication date of this Communiqué may remain on the market until 31 December 2027.

**[ ] Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 28 September 2025**Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Ministry of Agriculture and ForestryGeneral Directorate of Food and ControlEskisehir Yolu 9. Km. Lodumlu Ankara - TürkiyeTel: +(90) 312 258 77 30Fax: +(90) 312 258 77 60E-mail: sps@tarim.gov.trWebsite: <http://www.tarim.gov.tr> |
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