NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United Arab Emirates  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Climate Change and Environment |
| **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):** Food products |
| **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:** New smart system for the issuance of health certificates for the export of all kinds of food products by the Dubai Municipality. **Language(s):**Arabic. **Number of pages:**  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/ARE/18_3494_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Dubai Municipality is improving and facilitating the mechanism of issuing export health certificates for the export of food products, which will enable the owners of food companies and investors to print the export health certificates electronically from the Dubai Municipality website. Also the health certificate will include a QR code to check the validation of the health certificate, or it can be checked by entering the document number through the following link:  (<https://login.dm.gov.ae/wps/portal/home_ar>).  Attached is a file which includes the steps on how to verify and check the validity of export health certificates, as well as a copy of the updated health certificates for the export of food products through the Dubai Municipality. |
| **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:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 26 June 2018  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 26 June 2018 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:**  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable.  **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 Climate change and Environment  Eng. Majd Mohamed Alherbawi  Director of Food Safety Department  P.O. Box 1509  United Arab Emirates - Dubai  Tel: +(971 4) 214 8472  Fax: +(971 4) 265 5822  Mobile: +(971 50) 6260516  E-mail: mmalherbawi@moccae.gov.ae  Website: <http://www.moccae.gov.ae> |
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