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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Egypt  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** The National Food Safety Authority |
| **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 |
| **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:** Decision of the Board of Directors of the National Food Safety Authority No.5/2019 on Registration of Certification Bodies granting certificates of Food Safety Management Systems.**Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 12 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Decision regulates the procedures for the registration of certification bodies granting certificates of food safety management systems (FSMS) with the National Food Safety Authority (NFSA).  The regulatory procedures provided in this Decision aim to enhance the credibility in using food safety certificates. The regulation aims to confront the illegal practices of issuing such certificates to gain the confidence of all stakeholders and to raise the consumer confidence in the safety of food products available in the market and support the competitiveness of Egyptian food products to have access to global markets. |
| **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 [****X]** **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:** Decision of The Board Of Directors of The National Food Safety Authority No.5/2020 |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 October 2019  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 17 February 2020 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 18 February 2020  **[****X]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:**  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Central Administration for Foreign Agricultural Relations  Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation  1 Nadi El Saïd St., Dokki, Giza, Egypt  Tel: +(202) 333 76 589  +(202) 374 90 805  Fax: +(202) 374 90 805  E-mail: [enq\_egy\_sps@yahoo.com](mailto:enq_egy_sps@yahoo.com) |
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