NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Republic of Korea**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Food and Drug Safety |
| **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:** Countries (Regions) Allowed For Import of Livestock Products and Import Sanitation Requirements. **Language(s):** Korean. **Number of pages:**21<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/KOR/17_4286_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** * In accordance with the notification G/SPS/N/KOR/543, the classification of livestock in the Standards and Specifications for Livestock is merged into the Standards and Specifications for Food. While names and specifications of some products in the Standards and Specifications for Food have been changed, their import approvals have not been affected by the changes in the Standards and Specifications for Food.
* Provisions related to prohibition of importation and lift of import restriction due to animal diseases will be deleted as they are stipulated in "Region Prohibited for Import of Designated Quarantine Objects" by the "Act on the Prevention of Contagious Animal Diseases".
	+ Both "Countries (Regions) Allowed for Import of Livestock Products and Import Sanitation Requirements" and the "Act on the Prevention of Contagious Animal Diseases" will be required for approval of livestock export.
* The list of countries and products allowed to be imported to Korea is updated (e.g., Portuguese poultry and Brazilian pork, etc.).
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| **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:** Special Act on Imported Food Safety Control, Act No. 14476 (28 March 2017)  |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.**[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 26 November 2017**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:**  |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:** Documents are available from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety website at:<http://www.mfds.go.kr>.Also available from:International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety#187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu Cheongju-siChungcheongbuk-doTel: +(82 43) 719 1559Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550E-mail: wtokfda@korea.kr |