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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 utensils, containers and packages |
| **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:** Proposed amendments to the Standards and Specifications for Food Utensils, Containers and Packages.**Language(s):** Korean. **Number of pages:** 20<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/KOR/20_1621_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Republic of Korea is proposing to amend the "Standards and Specifications for Food Utensils, Containers and Packages".1. The common manufacturing standards are revised.
2. The standards for using of recycled synthetic resins are revised.
3. The common specifications, the usage specifications and the suitability determination of standard and specifications are revised.
4. The test methods are revised.
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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:** The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2020-97, 28 February 2020 (available in Korean) |
| **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)*:** 3 May 2020**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:** International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety#187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-siChungcheongbuk-do, 28159, KoreaTel: +(82 43) 719 1554Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550E-mail: intmfds@korea.kr |
| **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 OfficeMinistry of Food and Drug Safety#187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-siChungcheongbuk-do, 28159, KoreaTel: +(82 43) 719 1554Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550E-mail: intmfds@korea.kr |