NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Macao, China  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Municipal Affairs Bureau (IAM), The Government of the Macao Special Administrative Region |
| **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:** *Regulamento Administrativo n.º 7/2019 Normas relativas à utilização de conservantes e antioxidantes em géneros alimentícios* (Standard for Uses of Preservatives and Antioxidants in Foodstuffs). **Language(s):** Chinese and Portuguese. **Number of pages:** 102  <https://images.io.gov.mo/bo/i/2019/09/rega-7-2019.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The *Regulamento Administrativo n.º 7/2019 Normas relativas à utilização de conservantes e antioxidantes em géneros alimentícios* (the Administrative Regulation No. 7/2019 Standard for Uses of Preservatives and Antioxidants in Foodstuffs) is a food safety standard that guides and regulates the uses of preservatives and antioxidants by food producers and traders, including the principles of the use of preservatives and antioxidants, the scope of use, the types of preservatives and antioxidants permitted in food, the maximum levels of use, and the food categories in which maximum levels of certain preservatives and antioxidants are used. In this administrative regulation, "preservative" is defined as a type of food additive that is used to prolong the shelf-life of foods by protecting against deterioration caused by microorganisms; "antioxidant" is defined as a type of food additive that is used to prolong the shelf-life of foods by protecting against deterioration caused by oxidation. This administrative regulation does not apply to foods intended for specific dietetic use, with the exception of certain products for infants and young children. In this administrative regulation, listed preservatives and antioxidants are permitted to be used in foodstuffs, and their use in food shall follow the principle of Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP). |
| **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:**  **[****X] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**Codex Stan 192  **[ ]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X] 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)*:** 22 February 2019  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 4 March 2019 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 5 March 2019  **[ ]** **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: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  For further information, please contact:  Municipal Affairs Bureau, Macao, China  Tel : +(853) 8296 9929  Fax: +(853) 8296 9935  E-mail: sps-dsa@iam.gov.mo |
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