NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Viet Nam  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Plant Protection Department - Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development |
| **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):** Foods of plant origin |
| **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:** Circular on State food safety inspection of plant origin exports. **Language(s):** Vietnamese. **Number of pages:** 7  <http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn/Data/File/Notice/2895/inspection%20of%20plant%20origin%20exports.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/VNM/18_5270_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Circular is based on Articles 41 and 42 of the Law on Food Safety 2010 and on Article 23 of Decree 15/2018/ND-CP detailing the implementation of some articles of the Law on Food Safety.  In order to supervise food safety of imports, this Circular regulates:   * dossiers and procedures to inspect food safety of plant origin exports; * handling of re-imported plant origin exports in the event of food safety non-compliance with relevant regulations of importing countries; and * the form presenting food safety inspection results of plant origin exports. |
| **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)*:**CAC/GL 20-1995 Principles for Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification  **[ ]** **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)*:** December 2018  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** December 2018 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****X] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:**  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 14 December 2018  **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:**  Plant Protection Department  149 Ho Dac Di, Dong Da, Hanoi, Viet Nam  Tel: +(84 24) 3537 9743  Fax: +(84 24) 3533 0043  E-mail: qlattpmt.bvtv@mard.gov.vn  Viet Nam Sanitary and Phytosanitary Notification Authorities and Enquiry Point  No. 10 Nguyen Cong Hoan Str., Ba Dinh, Hanoi, Viet Nam  Tel: +(824 4) 3734 4764  Fax: +(824 4) 3734 4764  E-mail: spsvietnam@mard.gov.vn  Website: <http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn> |
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