NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Viet Nam  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Viet Nam Food Administration, Ministry of Health |
| **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):** All kinds of foodstuff |
| **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 of amending, supplementing and repealing a number of legal documents on food safety issued by the Minister of Health.**Language(s):**  Vietnamese. **Number of pages:** 63  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This draft of Circular will amend, supplement and repeal a number of articles of legal documents on food safety as below:   * Circular No. 24/2019/TT-BYT dated 30 August 2019 of the Minister of Health regulating the management and usage of food additives; * Circular No. 02/2011/TT-BYT dated 13 January 2011 of the Minister of Health on the promulgation of national technical regulations on chemical contamination limits in food; * Circular No. 18/2019/TT-BYT dated 17 July 2019 of the Minister of Health guiding Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) in the production and trading of dietary supplements; * Circular No. 48/2015/TT-BYT dated 1 December 2015 of the Minister of Health stipulating food safety inspection activities in food production and trading under the management of the Ministry of Health; * Circular No. 43/2014/TT-BYT dated 24 November 2014 of the Minister of Health regulating the management of functional foods; * Circular No. 05/2018/TT-BYT dated 5 April 2018 of the Minister of Health promulgating the List of foods, food additives, food processing aids and tools, packaging materials and food containers that are identified with HS codes according to the provisions of the list of goods exported and imported from Viet Nam; * Decision No. 46/2007/QD-BYT of Minister of Health regulating the maximum limit of contamination and chemicals in food; * Decision No. 38/2008/QD-BYT dated 11 December 2008 of the Minister of Health promulgating on "Prescribing the maximum limit of melamine cross-contamination in food"; * Circular No. 14/2011/TT-BYT dated 1 April 2011 of the Minister of Health on guidelines for taking samples for inspection and examination of food quality, hygiene and safety. |
| **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)*:** CXS 192-1995 192-1995- General Standard for Additives  **[ ]****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:**   * Circular No. 24/2019/TT-BYT dated 30 August 2019 of the Minister of Health regulating the management and usage of food additives * <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_01_x.pdf> * Circular No. 02/2011/TT-BYT dated 13 January 2011 of the Minister of Health on the promulgation of national technical regulations on chemical contamination limits in food * <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_02_x.pdf> * Circular No. 18/2019/TT-BYT dated 17 July 2019 of the Minister of Health guiding Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) in the production and trading of dietary supplements * <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_03_x.pdf> * Circular No. 48/2015/TT-BYT dated 1 December 2015 of the Minister of Health stipulating food safety inspection activities in food production and trading under the management of the Ministry of Health * <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_04_x.pdf> * Circular No. 43/2014/TT-BYT dated 24 November 2014 of the Minister of Health regulating the management of functional foods * <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_05_x.pdf> * Circular No. 05/2018/TT-BYT dated 5 April 2018 of the Minister of Health promulgating the List of foods, food additives, food processing aids and tools, packaging materials and food containers that are identified with HS codes according to the provisions of the list of goods exported and imported from Viet Nam * <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_06_x.pdf> * Decision No. 46/2007/QD-BYT of Minister of Health regulating the maximum limit of contamination and chemicals in food * <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_07_x.pdf> * Decision No. 38/2008/QD-BYT dated 11 December 2008 of the Minister of Health promulgating on "Prescribing the maximum limit of melamine cross-contamination in food" * <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_08_x.pdf> * Circular No. 14/2011/TT-BYT dated 1 April 2011 of the Minister of Health on guidelines for taking samples for inspection and examination of food quality, hygiene and safety * <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/VNM/21_5170_09_x.pdf>   (available in Viet Nam) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 November 2021  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 November 2021 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 January 2022  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 12 October 2021  **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:**  Viet Nam SPS Notification Authority and Enquiry Point  Block A3, No.10 Nguyen Cong Hoan Street, Hanoi, Viet Nam  Tel: +(84 4) 3734 4764  Fax: +(84 4) 3734 4764  E-mail: spsvietnam@mard.gov.vn  Website: <http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn>  Viet Nam Food Administration, Ministry of Health of Viet Nam  Lane 135 Nui Truc Street, Ba Dinh Dist, Ha Noi, Viet Nam  E-mail: phapchehoinhap@gmail.com  Fax: +(84 24) 3846 3739 |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  <http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn/en/notification-of-viet-nam> |