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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>JAPAN</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)
<b>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):</b> Plant, plant products and other objects
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed revisions of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act, relevant notifications and detailed rules. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 112 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_01_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_02_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_02_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_03_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_03_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_04_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_04_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_05_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/JPN/24_01850_05_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The MAFF will revise Annexed Tables 1, 1-2, 2 and 2-2 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act and the non-quarantine pest list to reflect the latest scientific evidence. <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Summary of the proposed revisions (Annex 1)</li><li>Proposed revision of Annexed Table 1 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act on list of the quarantine pest list (Annex 2)</li><li>Proposed revision of Annexed Table 1-2 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act on list of the plants and other objects subject to specific phytosanitary measures to be carried out in exporting countries (Annex 3)</li><li>Proposed revision of Annexed Table 2 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act on list of the import prohibited plants (Annex 4)</li><li>Proposed revision of Annexed Table 2-2 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act on list of the import prohibited plants (excluding the plants that meet the requirements) (Annex 5)</li><li>Proposed revision of the non-quarantine pest list (Annex 6)</li></ol> The following emergency notifications will be withdrawn after the enforcement of this amendment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">G/SPS/N/JPN/1238</a>, <a href="#">G/SPS/N/JPN/1226</a>, <a href="#">G/SPS/N/JPN/1199</a> and <a href="#">G/SPS/N/JPN/1164</a></li></ul>
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.

<p><b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> ISPM No. 2, 11, 19 and 20</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> The legal basis of the Ordinance is derived from the Plant Protection Act. This revision will be published in "Kampo" (Official Government Gazette), available in Japanese. The current lists are available in English on the website of Plant Protection Station at: <a href="http://www.maff.go.jp/pps/j/information/language_top.html">http://www.maff.go.jp/pps/j/information/language_top.html</a> (available in English).</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Due to the urgent nature of preventing pests of the most serious concern such as Hessian fly (<i>Mayetiola destructor</i>) from entering Japan, the proposed revisions will enter into force on the day following the date of publication, which is expected to take about three months after the distribution of this notification.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 11 May 2024</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Standards Information Service International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs 2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku Tokyo 100-8919, Japan Tel: +(81 3) 5501 8344 Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: <a href="mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp">enquiry@mofa.go.jp</a></p>

**13. Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**

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