



Joint submission of **SPS Notifications**

SPS Committee Transparency Working Group

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1. Submission of joint SPS notifications

- When?

A grouping of Members applying common SPS regulations can submit notifications jointly

- How?

Each Member informs the Secretariat in writing of its acceptance that any other Member within the grouping may notify on its behalf

- Who?

Members from two regional organizations are submitting joint notifications:

- East African Community (EAC): Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda
- Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC): UAE, Kingdom of Bahrain, the State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and Yemen



1. Examples of submission of joint SPS notifications – EAC



WORLD TRADE
ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

G/SPS/N/BDI/152, G/SPS/N/KEN/361
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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: BURUNDI, KENYA, RWANDA, TANZANIA, UGANDA
If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Kenya Bureau of Standards
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): Fruits, vegetables and derived products in general (ICS code(s): 67.080.01)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: DEAS 1321:2026 Sesame/Simsim flour – Specification. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 10 https://members.wto.org/crattachments/2026/SPS/KEN/26_01829_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for sesame flour intended for human consumption.
7. Objective and rationale: ☒ 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): 1. CXS 192, General standard for food 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? ☒ Yes ☐ No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

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9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 1. AOAC 965.22, Sorting corn grits – Sieving method 2. CXS 192, General standard for food additives 3. EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods – General requirements 4. EAS 39, Hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry – Code of practice 5. EAS 803, Nutrition labelling – Requirements 6. EAS 804, Claims on foods – General requirements 7. EAS 805, Use of nutrition and health claims – Requirements 8. ISO 665, Oilseeds – Determination of moisture and volatile matter content 9. ISO 729, Oilseeds – Determination of acidity of oils 10. ISO 735, Oilseed residues – Determination of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid 11. ISO 749, Oilseed residues – Determination of total ash 12. ISO 6579-1, Microbiology of the food chain – Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of Salmonella – Part 1: Detection of Salmonella spp. 13. ISO 6888-1, Microbiology of the food chain – Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulase-positive staphylococci (Staphylococcus aureus and other species) – Part 1: Method using Baird-Parker agar medium 14. ISO 16634-2, Food products – Determination of the total nitrogen content by combustion according to the Dumas principle and calculation of the crude protein content – Part 2: Cereals, pulses and milled cereal products 15. ISO 16050, Foodstuffs – Determination of aflatoxin B ₁ , and the total content of aflatoxins B ₁ , B ₂ , G ₁ and G ₂ in cereals, nuts and derived products – High-performance liquid chromatographic method 16. ISO 16649-2 Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the enumeration of beta-glucuronidase-positive Escherichia coli – Part 2: Colony-count technique at 44 degrees C using 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl beta-D-glucuronide 17. ISO 21294, Oilseeds – Manual or automatic discontinuous sampling 18. ISO 21527-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the enumeration of yeasts and moulds – Part 2: Colony count technique in products with water activity less than or equal to 0.95
10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 30 September 2026 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: ☒ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 June 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☐ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Kenya Bureau of Standards WTO/TBT National Enquiry Point P.O. Box: 54974-00200, Nairobi, Kenya Tel: +(254) 0 2060 5490 +(254) 0 2060 5506 / 694 8258 E-mail: info@kebs.org Website: http://www.kebs.org

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13. Text(s) available from: ☐ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Kenya Bureau of Standards WTO/TBT National Enquiry Point P.O. Box: 54974-00200, Nairobi, Kenya Tel: +(254) 0 2060 5490 +(254) 0 2060 5506 / 694 8258 E-mail: info@kebs.org Website: http://www.kebs.org

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Notifying Member	Symbol and title	Distribution/Comments ⓘ	Products covered ⓘ
Uganda	G/SPS/N/BDI/152, G/SPS/N/KEN/361, G/SPS/N/RWA/145, G/SPS/N/TZA/533, G/SPS/N/UGA/473  DEAS 1321:2026 Sesame/Simsim flour — Specification	02/04/2026  01/06/2026	Fruits, vegetables and derived products in general (ICS code(s): 67.080.01) 
	Notified document (1)		
Kenya	G/SPS/N/BDI/152, G/SPS/N/KEN/361, G/SPS/N/RWA/145, G/SPS/N/TZA/533, G/SPS/N/UGA/473  DEAS 1321:2026 Sesame/Simsim flour — Specification	02/04/2026  01/06/2026	Fruits, vegetables and derived products in general (ICS code(s): 67.080.01) 
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Burundi	G/SPS/N/BDI/152, G/SPS/N/KEN/361, G/SPS/N/RWA/145, G/SPS/N/TZA/533, G/SPS/N/UGA/473  DEAS 1321:2026 Sesame/Simsim flour — Specification	02/04/2026  01/06/2026	Fruits, vegetables and derived products in general (ICS code(s): 67.080.01) 
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Tanzania	G/SPS/N/BDI/152, G/SPS/N/KEN/361, G/SPS/N/RWA/145, G/SPS/N/TZA/533, G/SPS/N/UGA/473  DEAS 1321:2026 Sesame/Simsim flour — Specification	02/04/2026  01/06/2026	Fruits, vegetables and derived products in general (ICS code(s): 67.080.01) 
	Notified document (1)		
Rwanda	G/SPS/N/BDI/152, G/SPS/N/KEN/361, G/SPS/N/RWA/145, G/SPS/N/TZA/533, G/SPS/N/UGA/473  DEAS 1321:2026 Sesame/Simsim flour — Specification	02/04/2026  01/06/2026	Fruits, vegetables and derived products in general (ICS code(s): 67.080.01) 
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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 21 November 2023, is being circulated at the request of the Delegations of Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda.

DEAS 43:2022, Bread - Specification, Third Edition

Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform the WTO Members that the Draft East Africa Standard; DEAS 43:2022, Bread - Specification, Third Edition notified in G/SPS/N/BDI/30, G/SPS/N/KEN/186, G/SPS/N/RWA/23, G/SPS/N/TZA/224, and G/SPS/N/UGA/226 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as East Africa Standard, EAS 43:2022, Bread - Specification, Third Edition. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz

This addendum concerns a:

- ☐ Modification of final date for comments
- ☒ Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation
- ☐ Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation
- ☐ Withdrawal of proposed regulation
- ☐ Change in proposed date of adoption, publication or date of entry into force
- ☐ Other:

Comment period: *(If the addendum extends the scope of the previously notified measure in terms of products and/or potentially affected Members, a new deadline for receipt of comments should be provided, normally of at least 60 calendar days. Under other circumstances, such as extension of originally announced final date for comments, the comment period provided in the addendum may vary.)*

- ☐ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the addendum to the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable.

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☐ National Notification Authority, ☐ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 26 November 2024, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda.

DEAS 43:2022, Bread — Specification, Third Edition

The aim of this addendum is to update WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard, DEAS 43:2022, Bread — Specification, Third Edition notified in G/SPS/N/BDI/30, G/SPS/N/KEN/186, G/SPS/N/RWA/23, G/SPS/N/TZA/224, G/SPS/N/UGA/226, G/SPS/N/BDI/30/Add.1, G/SPS/N/KEN/186/Add.1, G/SPS/N/RWA/23/Add.1, G/SPS/N/TZA/224/Add.1 and G/SPS/N/UGA/226/Add.1 was adopted by Uganda on 6 August 2024 as a Uganda Standard, US EAS 43:2023, Bread — Specification, Second Edition. The Uganda Standard, US EAS 43:2023, Bread — Specification, Second Edition, can be purchased online through the link: <https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/>.

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- ☐ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the addendum to the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

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NOTIFICATION*Addendum*

The following communication, received on 11 February 2026, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda.

DEAS 43:2022, Bread — Specification, Third Edition

The aim of this addendum is to update WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard, DEAS 43:2022, Bread — Specification, Third Edition, notified G/SPS/N/BDI/30-G/SPS/N/KEN/186-G/SPS/N/RWA/23-G/SPS/N/TZA/224-G/SPS/N/UGA/226, was adopted by Tanzania on 31 October 2025 as a TZS 102:2025/EAS 43:2023, Bread — Specification, Third Edition.

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1. Examples of submission of joint SPS notifications – GCC



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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN, THE STATE OF KUWAIT, OMAN, QATAR, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, YEMEN If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Saudi Food and Drug Authority
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): ICS code: 55.220
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Requirements of Storage Facilities for Dry and Canned Foodstuffs. Language(s): Arabic. Number of pages: 5 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/SAU/26_01090_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: This draft technical regulation applies to specifies the general requirements of storage facilities for dry and canned foodstuffs.
7.	Objective and rationale: ☒ 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): CXC 1 General Principles of Food Hygiene ☐ 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? ☒ 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:

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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): ☐ Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: ☒ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 April 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☒ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Saudi Food and Drug Authority SFDA Northern Ring Branch Road, Dist Unit number : 1 4904 Dist. Riyadh 6336 Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext. 3358 Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825 E-mail: SPSEP.Food@sFDA.gov.sa Website: http://www.sFDA.gov.sa
13.	Text(s) available from: ☒ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Saudi Food and Drug Authority SFDA Northern Ring Branch Road, Dist Unit number : 1 4904 Dist. Riyadh 6336 Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext. 3358 Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825 E-mail: SPSEP.Food@sFDA.gov.sa Website: http://www.sFDA.gov.sa



1. Examples of submission of joint SPS notifications – GCC

Notifying Member	Symbol and title	Distribution/Comments ⓘ	Products covered ⓘ	
Kuwait, the State of	G/SPS/N/ARE/321, G/SPS/N/BHR/273, G/SPS/N/KWT/202, G/SPS/N/OMN/169, G/SPS/N/QAT/172, G/SPS/N/SAU/613, G/SPS/N/YEM/113 Requirements of Storage Facilities for Dry and Canned Foodstuffs Notified document (1)	24/02/2026 ⌚ 25/04/2026	ICS code: 55.220	
Oman	G/SPS/N/ARE/321, G/SPS/N/BHR/273, G/SPS/N/KWT/202, G/SPS/N/OMN/169, G/SPS/N/QAT/172, G/SPS/N/SAU/613, G/SPS/N/YEM/113 Requirements of Storage Facilities for Dry and Canned Foodstuffs Notified document (1)	24/02/2026 ⌚ 25/04/2026	ICS code: 55.220	
Qatar	G/SPS/N/ARE/321, G/SPS/N/BHR/273, G/SPS/N/KWT/202, G/SPS/N/OMN/169, G/SPS/N/QAT/172, G/SPS/N/SAU/613, G/SPS/N/YEM/113 Requirements of Storage Facilities for Dry and Canned Foodstuffs Notified document (1)	24/02/2026 ⌚ 25/04/2026	ICS code: 55.220	
Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of	G/SPS/N/ARE/321, G/SPS/N/BHR/273, G/SPS/N/KWT/202, G/SPS/N/OMN/169, G/SPS/N/QAT/172, G/SPS/N/SAU/613, G/SPS/N/YEM/113 Requirements of Storage Facilities for Dry and Canned Foodstuffs Notified document (1)	24/02/2026 ⌚ 25/04/2026	ICS code: 55.220	
United Arab Emirates	G/SPS/N/ARE/321, G/SPS/N/BHR/273, G/SPS/N/KWT/202, G/SPS/N/OMN/169, G/SPS/N/QAT/172, G/SPS/N/SAU/613, G/SPS/N/YEM/113 Requirements of Storage Facilities for Dry and Canned Foodstuffs Notified document (1)	24/02/2026 ⌚ 25/04/2026	ICS code: 55.220	
Yemen	G/SPS/N/ARE/321, G/SPS/N/BHR/273, G/SPS/N/KWT/202, G/SPS/N/OMN/169, G/SPS/N/QAT/172, G/SPS/N/SAU/613, G/SPS/N/YEM/113 Requirements of Storage Facilities for Dry and Canned Foodstuffs Notified document (1)	24/02/2026 ⌚ 25/04/2026	ICS code: 55.220	
Bahrain, Kingdom of	G/SPS/N/ARE/321, G/SPS/N/BHR/273, G/SPS/N/KWT/202, G/SPS/N/OMN/169, G/SPS/N/QAT/172, G/SPS/N/SAU/613, G/SPS/N/YEM/113 Requirements of Storage Facilities for Dry and Canned Foodstuffs Notified document (1)	24/02/2026 ⌚ 25/04/2026	ICS code: 55.220	

2. Notification of regional SPS regulations

- When?

A grouping of Members applying common regional regulations and notifying them to the WTO individually

- How?

Each Member notifies the common regional regulation individually

- Who?

For example, Members from the Central American region: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama

2. Example of notification of regional SPS regulations

Notifying Member	Symbol and title	Distribution/Comments ①	Products covered ①	
Costa Rica	G/SPS/N/CRI/254  Reglamento Técnico Centroamericano RTCA 67.04.79:23 Productos Lácteos. Yoghurt (Yogurt, Yogurth, Yoghurt, Yogourt). Specifications (Central American Technical Regulation (RTCA) No. 67.04.79:23: Milk products... Notified document (1)	17/07/2023	Milk and processed milk products (ICS: 67.100.10)	
Honduras	G/SPS/N/HND/66  RTCA 67.04.79:23 Productos Lácteos. Yogur (Yogurt, Yogurth, Yoghurt, Yogourt). Especificaciones. (Central American Technical Regulation (RTCA) No. 67.04.79:23: Milk products. Yoghurt (Yogurt, Yogurth,... Notified document (1)	17/07/2023	Milk and processed milk products (ICS code: 67.100.10)	
El Salvador	G/SPS/N/SLV/146  Reglamento Técnico Centroamericano RTCA 67.04.79:23 Productos Lácteos. Yoghurt (Yogurt, Yogurth, Yoghurt, Yogourt). Specifications (Central American Technical Regulation (RTCA) No. 67.04.79:23: Milk products... Notified document (1)	17/07/2023	Yoghurt (ICS code(s): 67.100.10)	
Guatemala	G/SPS/N/GTM/75  Reglamento Técnico Centroamericano RTCA 67.04.79:23 Productos Lácteos. Yoghurt (Yogurt, Yogurth, Yoghurt, Yogourt). Specifications (Central American Technical Regulation (RTCA) No. 67.04.79:23: Milk products... Notified document (1)	14/07/2023	Milk and processed milk products (ICS: 67.100.10)	
Panama	G/SPS/N/PAN/75  Reglamento Técnico Centroamericano RTCA 67.04.79:23 Productos Lácteos. Yoghurt (Yogurt, Yogurth, Yoghurt, Yogourt). Specifications (Central American Technical Regulation (RTCA) No. 67.04.79:23: Milk products... Notified document (1)	14/07/2023	Milk and processed milk products (ICS: 67.100.10)	
Nicaragua	G/SPS/N/NIC/125  Reglamento Técnico Centroamericano NTON/RTCA 67.04.79:23 Productos Lácteos. Yogur (Yogurt, Yogurth, Yoghurt, Yogourt). Especificaciones (Nicaraguan Mandatory Technical Standard (NTON)/Central... Notified document (1)	13/07/2023	Milk and processed milk products (ICS code: 67.100.10)	

3. Notification of EU SPS regulations

- The European Union is a WTO Member, who notifies on behalf of its 27 member States
- EU member States can also notify individually

3. Example of EU SPS notification



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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: EUROPEAN UNION If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
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): Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding (HS code(s): 2309)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of lavender tincture from <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> Mill. as a feed additive for all animal species and the withdrawal of lavender tincture from <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> × <i>L. latifolia</i> as a feed additive for all animal species. (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 5+3 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/EEC/26_02180_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/EEC/26_02180_01_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: The draft act concerns the authorisation as "flavouring compound" of a tincture from the plant <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> Mill. within the scope of the EU legislation on feed additives, i.e. Regulation (EC) No. 1831/2003. The measure aims at authorising this additive for all animal species. In addition, the draft act concerns the withdrawal from the EU market of a tincture from the plant <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> × <i>L. latifolia</i> for all animal species, due to the withdrawal by the applicant of a submitted application for re-authorisation. This measure is required by the regime set out in Article 10 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 with regard to the status of 'existing products', i.e. additives which were allowed under the previous Directive 70/524/EEC. Transitional periods are laid down for the interested parties to prepare themselves to meet the requirement concerning the new authorisation and withdrawal from the market of the products concerned.
7.	Objective and rationale: ☒ food safety, ☒ animal health, ☐ plant protection, ☐ protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, ☐ protect territory from other damage from pests.

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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): Code of practice on Good Animal Feeding CAC/RCP 54-2004 ☐ 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? ☒ 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: EFSA opinion on the safety and efficacy of a feed additive consisting of a tincture derived from the flowers of <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> Mill. (lavender tincture) for use in all animal species: https://efsa.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.2903/j.efsa.2025.9550 (available in English)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): September 2026 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): September 2026
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: ☐ Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union. ☐ Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: ☒ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 22 June 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☒ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu
13.	Text(s) available from: ☒ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu

3. Example of SPS notification from EU member State



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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: French

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Notifying Member: FRANCE If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Direction générale de l'Alimentation (Directorate-General for Food) - Ministère de l'Agriculture et de la souveraineté alimentaire (Ministry of Agriculture and Food Sovereignty)
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): Foodstuffs from non-European Union countries containing residues of certain active plant protection substances the use of which is prohibited in the European Union
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Arrêté du 5 janvier 2026 portant suspension d'importation, d'introduction et de mise sur le marché à titre gratuit ou onéreux, en France, de denrées alimentaires provenant de pays tiers à l'Union européenne contenant des résidus de certaines substances actives phytopharmaceutiques interdites d'utilisation dans l'Union européenne. NOR: AGRG2600034 (Order of 5 January 2026 suspending the importation, introduction and placing on the market in France, whether free of charge or for a consideration, of foodstuffs from non-European Union countries containing residues of certain active plant protection substances the use of which is prohibited in the European Union. NOR: AGRG2600034) Language(s): French. Number of pages: 3. https://members.wto.org/cnattachments/2026/SPS/FRA/26_00158_00_f.pdf
6.	Description of content: The notified order, adopted by the French authorities pursuant to Article 54 of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002, suspends the importation, introduction and placing on the market, whether free of charge or for a consideration, of foodstuffs or animal feed containing residues of the following active substances: glufosinate, mancozeb, thiophanate-methyl, carbendazim and benomyl, given the risks to human health in the event of dietary exposure to those substances. This suspension concerns various fruits, vegetables, cereals, mushrooms and algae, in which residues of the substances concerned may also be present at levels that are a cause for concern.
7.	Objective and rationale: ☒ food safety, ☐ animal health, ☐ plant protection, ☐ protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, ☐ protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: Given the risks to human health in the event of dietary exposure to the substances listed below, the placing on the market of foodstuffs or animal feed containing residues of the active substances

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listed below is suspended:

- **Mancozeb:** this substance is classified as a category 1B reproductive toxicant, and identified as meeting the criteria for endocrine disruption for humans, according to the EFSA opinion published on 16 December 2020.

According to the EFSA opinion published on 17 May 2023, the current MRLs for all dithiocarbamate substances, including mancozeb, result in exceedances of the toxicological reference values in the event of dietary exposure from plants, such as pome fruits, stone fruits, table grapes, mangoes, papaya, currants, strawberries, potatoes, sweet peppers, melons and lettuce.

- **Glufosinate:** this substance is classified as a category 1B reproductive toxicant. Its approval expired on 31 July 2018, in the absence of a renewal request. Exposure to a residue level corresponding to the current MRL for potatoes results in an exceedance of the toxicological reference values according to the current EFSA dietary exposure model (PRIMO rev. 3.1),

- **Thiophanate-methyl, carbendazim and benomyl:** these substances are closely linked as thiophanate-methyl and benomyl metabolize to carbendazim. Thiophanate-methyl is classified as a Category 2 reproductive toxicant and a Category 2 mutagen, and has been identified as an endocrine disruptor for humans (EFSA, 2018); while carbendazim and benomyl are classified as Category 1B reproductive toxicants and Category 1B mutagens.

Approval of benomyl expired in November 2002 pursuant to the non-inclusion Commission Decision. Approval of carbendazim expired in November 2014, in the absence of a renewal request, while approval of thiophanate-methyl was not renewed in October 2020, following the withdrawal of the approval request (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1498).

In the absence of a new proposal from the European Commission, the previous MRLs remain in force and risk, according to the EFSA reasoned opinion, published on 23 August 2021, an exceedance of the toxicological reference values for plants, such as citrus fruits, mangoes and papaya.

Moreover, the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) deemed the toxicological information available to be insufficient to allow a re-evaluation of the reference values for carbendazim, and consequently that no MRL for carbendazim was safe. In November 2025, the CAC revoked all the Codex MRLs (CXLs) for the sum of carbendazim, benomyl and thiophanate-methyl, expressed as carbendazim.

9.	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): Codex MRLs (CXL) for dithiocarbamates, including mancozeb (No. 105) and glufosinate (No. 175) ☐ World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): ☐ International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM No.): ☐ 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: See point 8.
10.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

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11.	Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 8 January 2026 (the day following the date of the publication). The suspension of the importation, introduction and placing on the market in France, whether free of charge or for a consideration, of foodstuffs from non-European Union countries containing residues of certain active plant protection substances, the use of which is prohibited in the European Union, does not apply to foodstuffs acquired by the importer or person responsible for placing the product on the market no later than one month after the prohibitions enter into force. The various market suspension measures will end upon the application of appropriate measures by the European Commission or, failing that, one year after their entry into force. ☐ Trade facilitating measure
12.	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☒ National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body: European Commission Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations Email: spis@ec.europa.eu
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