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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
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): <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Meat and edible meat offal (HS Codes: 02.01, 02.02, 02.03, 02.04, 02.05, 02.06 and 02.08)- Dairy produce, birds' eggs and natural honey (HS Code: 04.01)- Products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included (HS Code: 05.04)- Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS Codes: 07.01, 07.02, 07.03, 07.04, 07.05, 07.06, 07.07, 07.08, 07.09, 07.10, 07.13 and 07.14)- Edible fruits and nuts, peel of citrus/melons (HS Codes: 08.01, 08.02, 08.03, 08.04, 08.05, 08.06, 08.07, 08.08, 08.09, 08.10, 08.11 and 08.14)- Coffee, tea, mate and spices (HS Codes: 09.01, 09.02, 09.03, 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10)- Cereals (HS Codes: 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.04, 10.05, 10.06, 10.07 and 10.08)- Oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruits (HS Codes: 12.01, 12.02, 12.04, 12.05, 12.06, 12.07 and 12.10)- Animal or vegetable fats and oils (HS Codes: 15.01, 15.02 and 15.06)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Revision of the Standards and Specifications for Foods and Food Additives under the Food Sanitation Law (Revision of agricultural chemical residue standards) Language(s): English Number of pages: 8 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/sps/JPN/13_0361_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemicals. Pesticides: Phenthoate and Spirodiclofen
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety , <input type="checkbox"/> animal health , <input 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.

8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: The Codex MRL of Spirodiclofen for peach is not adopted because, the portion to which the MRL applies is different between Japanese and Codex MRLs. Scientific review could not be carried out because of the lack of residue data, which were required to establish a specific MRL for peach (pulp only).</p>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Food Sanitation Law (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to be published in "Kampo" (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date for comment period.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date for comment period.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): These proposed standards will take effect after a certain grace period.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 March 2013</p> <p>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:</p>
13.	<p>Texts available from: <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:</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: enquiry@mofa.go.jp</p>