NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Singapore  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Health, Health Promotion Board  **Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:** |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****],** **5.7.1 [****],** **other****:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):**   * HS Chapter 4, in particular Headings 04.01, 04.02 and 04.03 * HS Chapter 9, in particular Headings 09.01, 09.02 and 09.03 * HS Chapter 18, in particular Heading 18.06 * HS Chapter 19, in particular Headings 19.01 and 19.04 * HS Chapter 20, in particular Heading 20.09 * HS Chapter 21, in particular Headings 21.01 and 21.06 * HS Chapter 22, in particular Headings 22.01 and 22.02 |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft Food (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (12 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Ministry of Health and Health Promotion Board propose to introduce a new nutrition labelling scheme named "Nutri-Grade" for Nutri-Grade beverages sold in Singapore from 30 June 2022. The Nutri-Grade mark will be mandatory for Nutri-Grade beverages graded "C" or "D" under the Nutri-Grade grading system. Prohibitions will be imposed on advertisements relating to Nutri-Grade beverages graded "D". |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** High sugar intake is linked to increased risk of obesity and diabetes. The World Health Organization (WHO) has called on countries to take action to reduce individuals' intake of sugar to as low as possible, stating that "nutritionally, people do not need any sugar in their diet". The new measures aim to help consumers identify beverages that are higher in sugar and saturated fat and make more informed, healthier choices, and to reduce the influence of advertising on consumer preferences, and spur industry reformulation. |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** - |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 30 June 2021  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 30 June 2022 |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [** **]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  The public consultation document on the proposed regulations will be made available at the following website: <https://www.sfa.gov.sg/legislation>  (Select "Sale of Food Act", then click on "Draft Food (Amendment) Regulations 2021") Alternatively, please write in to: [Nutri-Grade@hpb.gov.sg](mailto:Nutri-Grade@hpb.gov.sg) |