NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Agriculture and Food Agency (AFA)  Council of Agriculture  No. 8, Kuang-Hua Road, Chung-Hsing New Village  Nantou City, Nantou County 54044, Taiwan  Tel: (886-49) 2332-380 ext 2429  Fax: (886-49) 234-1092  E-mail: [hsiuhui@mail.afa.gov.tw](mailto:hsiuhui@mail.afa.gov.tw)  **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 [****],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****X],** **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):** Organic agricultural products |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Certification Standard for Organic Agricultural Products and In-conversion Agricultural Products and Allowable Substances in their Production, Processing, Packaging, Distribution, and Sale (Draft) (45 page(s), in Chinese) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** In accordance with Paragraph 3 of Article 12 and Paragraph 1 of Article 15 of the Organic Agriculture Promotion Act, the Agriculture and Food Agency is proposing "Certification Standard for Organic Agricultural Products and In-conversion Agricultural Products and Allowable Substances in their Production, Processing, Packaging, Distribution, and Sale." Below is the titles of content in the draft.  Chapter 1: Certification standards  1. Common certification standards on packaging, storage, transportation and distribution, and records.  2. Processing, packaging and distribution.  3. Crop.  4. Livestock.  5. Aquatic plant.  6. Aquatic animal.  Chapter 2: Allowable substances in the production, packaging, distribution and sale  1. Processing, packaging, distribution and sale (pest control, cleaning and disinfection, food additives and others)  2. Production of crop (pests and diseases, soil fertility, growth regulator, harvest, storage and packaging)  3. Livestock (production and prohibited natural substances) |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * Organic Agriculture Promotion Act |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 30 May 2019 |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  WTO/TBT Enquiry Point  Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection  Ministry of Economic Affairs  No.4, Sec. 1, Jinan Rd.  Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City 100, Taiwan  Tel: +(886 2) 2343-1813  Fax: +(886 2) 2343-1804  E-mail: [tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw](mailto:tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/TBT/TPKM/19_1699_00_x.pdf> |