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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>SOUTH AFRICA</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Department of Health, Directorate: Food Control
- 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): Dairy produce; birds' eggs; natural honey; edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included (HS code(s): 04); Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS code(s): 07); Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons (HS code(s): 08); Cereals (HS code(s): 10); Products of the milling industry; malt; starches; inulin; wheat gluten (HS code(s): 11); Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit; industrial or medicinal plants; straw and fodder (HS code(s): 12); Beverages, spirits and vinegar (HS code(s): 22)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:

[X] All trading partners

[] Specific regions or countries:

5. Title of the notified document: Draft: Regulations relating to maximum levels of mycotoxins in foodstuffs. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 6

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/ZAF/24_08085_00_e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** The draft aims to establish regulations for the maximum levels of mycotoxins in certain foodstuffs. The Department of Health regulates this under the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics, and Disinfectants Act of 1972 (Act No. 54 of 1972).
- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] 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:
 - [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed- CXS 193 -1995
 - [] 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?

[X] 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:
- **10.** Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): To be determined.

Proposed date of publication (*dd/mm/yy***):** It is expected to be published by May 2025.

- **11.** Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 12 months after the date of publication.
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 27 January 2025

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

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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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