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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| 1. | Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2): |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), Department of Agriculture (USDA) [2268]. |
| 3. | Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other: |
| 4. | Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Lemons; Quality (ICS code(s): 03.120); Fruits. Vegetables (ICS code(s): 67.080). |
| 5. | Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Revising U.S. Standards for Grades of Lemons; (1 page(s), in English). Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25_06002_00_e.pdf . |
| 6. | Description of content: Notification and request for comments - The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) proposes to revise the U.S. Standards for Grades of Lemons by adding the term "seedless lemons." In addition, AMS proposes to incorporate marking requirements for lemons meeting the seedless definition. |
| 7. | Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Quality requirements. |
| 8. | Relevant documents: 90 Federal Register (FR) 43947, 11 September 2025; Title 7 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 51 : https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-09-11/html/2025-17481.htm https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-09-11/pdf/2025-17481.pdf This notification; request for comments is identified by Docket Number AMS-SC-24-0068. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/AMS-SC-24-0068/document and provides access to primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number. |

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined.

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined.

10. Provision of comments

Final date for comments: 10 November 2025.

[] 60 days from notification

WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the [USA TBT Enquiry Point](#) by or before [4pm Eastern Time](#) on 10 November 2025. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with USDA and submitted to the [Docket](#) if received within the comment period.

Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:

Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov.