

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>JAPAN</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
3.	<b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS:07), edible fruits and nuts (HS:0801, 0802, 0803, 0804, 0805, 0806, 0807, 0809, 0810, 0811 and 0812), coffee (HS:0901), tea (HS:0902), ginger (HS:0910.10), cereals (HS:10), oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous seeds and fruit (HS:1201, 1202, 1204, 1205, 1206, 1207, 1210, 1212.91, 1212.92 and 1212.99), cocoa beans (HS:1801)
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Revision of the standards and specification for foods and additives under the Food Sanitation Law (Additional establishment and revision of pesticide residue standards) (9 pages, available in English)
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for 21 pesticides (Additional establishment for 12 pesticides; acequinocyl, indanofan, simetryn, spinosad, triazophos, harosulfuron-methyl, bioresmethrin, pyrafulfen-ethyl, pyrimethanil, fipionil, fenhexamid and procymidone. Revision for 9 pesticides: isoprocarb, glufosinate, cyromazine, pyrazoxyfen, pyrifenoxy, fluvalinate, propamocarb, propiconazole and bentazone.)
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <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
7.	<b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist</b> <input type="checkbox"/> . <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b> For pesticides for which Codex standards are established, the proposed MRLs are the same as or higher than the corresponding Codex limits.
8.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Food Sanitation Law available in English. "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) available in Japanese.
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> These proposed standards will be adopted after a comment period.

<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> These proposed standards will basically take effect after a certain grace period.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 18 July 2001 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> [ ] National notification authority, [ X ] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:
<b>12.</b>	<b>Texts available from:</b> [ ] National notification authority, [ X ] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: