

# 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>UNITED STATES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
3.	<b>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):</b> Fruit and vegetable juices, HS 2009
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Trading partners
5.	<b>Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Guidance for Industry: Juice HACCP Small Entity Compliance Guide, (14 pages, available in English)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> FDA has issued a guidance document, "Juice HACCP Small Entity Compliance Guide". This document is intended to provide FDA guidance to small and very small businesses concerning the safe and sanitary processing of fruit and vegetable juices. The document restates, in plain language, important aspects of the juice hazard analysis and critical control point (HACCP) regulations (21 CFR part 120).
7.	<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
8.	<b>International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b>
9.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Notice of availability in 68 FR 16541 and "Guidance for Industry: Juice HACCP Small Entity Compliance Guide" (available in English)
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> This guidance is applicable upon publication.
11.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> This guidance is applicable upon publication.

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- 12. Final date for comments:** Submit written or electronic comments at any time.

**Agency or authority designated to handle comments:** Food and Drug Administration  
[ ] **National notification authority,** [ X ] **National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:** Submit written comments on the document to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852, U.S.A. It is possible to submit electronic comments to: <http://www.fda.gov/dockets/ecomments>. Submit comments by indicating DOCKET No. 03D-0093 and TITLE Guidance for Industry: Juice HACCP Small Entity Compliance Guide.

- 13. Texts available from:** [ ] **National notification authority,** [ X ] **National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:**

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<http://www.fda.gov/OHRMS/DOCKETS/98fr/100702c.htm> by looking under DOCKET No. 01D-0493 and at <http://www.cfsan.fda.gov/~dms/guidance.html>.