

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
3.	Products covered (tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): aquatic animals for the purpose of propagation or aquaculture (hereinafter referred to as "aquatic animal seeds")
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Revision of the Enforcement Ordinance of the Fisheries Resources Conservation Act. (Available in Japanese, 2 pages)
5.	Description of content: 1(i) To designate fry of <i>Salmonidae</i> as aquatic animal seeds which need to obtain the permit by the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, when imported. (ii) To designate the following diseases as infectious diseases of which no risk of affection need to be certified, when the aquatic animal seeds mentioned in (i) above are imported: - Viral haemorrhagic septicaemia (VHS) - Epizootic haematopoietic necrosis (EHN) - Piscirickettsiosis - Enteric redmouth disease (ERM) 2(i) To designate larvae, postlarvae and juvenile of <i>Penaeus</i> as aquatic animal seeds which need to obtain the permit by the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, when the aquatic animal seeds mentioned in (i) above are imported. (ii) To designate the following diseases as infectious diseases of which no risk of affection need to be certified, when imported: - Nuclear polyhedrosis baculoviroses (<i>Penaeus monodon</i> - type baculovirus and <i>Baculovirus penaei</i>) (BP) - Infectious hypodermal and haematopoietic necrosis virus - Yellowhead disease - Penaeid Acute Viremia (White spot disease)
6.	Objective and rationale: Protection of aquatic animal life or health.

7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist []. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations: OIE/International Aquatic Animal Health Code
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The basic law is Fisheries Resources Conservation Act. This ordinance will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: The Standard will be adopted as soon as possible after the final date for comments.
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 1997
11.	Final date for comments: 27 December 1996 Agency or authority designated to handle comments:
12.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telefax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: