

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service
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): Meat and poultry
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Sanitation Requirements for Official Meat and Poultry Establishments (13 pages)
5.	Description of content: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is proposing to revise its regulatory requirements concerning sanitation in official meat and poultry establishments. Specifically, FSIS is proposing to consolidate the sanitation regulations into a single part applicable to both meat and poultry establishments, eliminate unnecessary differences between the meat and poultry sanitation requirements, and convert many of the highly prescriptive requirements to performance standards.
6.	Objective and rationale: Food safety
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [X]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations:
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 62 FR 45045, 25 August 1997
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined.
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined.

11. Final date for comments: 24 October 1997

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USA

12. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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