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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>ESWATINI</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Environmental Health Department
3.	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): All food commodities
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: The Public Health (Food Hygiene) Regulations, 1973. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 13 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/SWZ/19_6530_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: These regulations make provisions for the requirements relating to food premises, persons in the food business, power to inspect food in transit, methods and practices in food businesses, adulterated or unwholesome food (power of seizure, examination and destruction). The purpose of the regulations is to protect public health.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): – CXC 1-1969, General Principles of Food Hygiene – CXS 1-1985, General Standard for the Labelling of Prepackaged Foods <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Public Health Act, 1969 - The Veterinary Public Health Act, 2013 - Salt Iodization Regulations, 1997 - Eswatini Government Gazette - International Health Regulations, 2005 - The Dairy Act, 1968 (available in English)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): [X] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 4 February 2020 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Ministry of Health Environmental Health Department P.O. Box 5 Mbabane, H100 Eswatini Tel: +(268) 2404 8060 E-mail: esshongwe@yahoo.com
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