

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

<b>1. Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>MALAYSIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Public Health, Ministry of Health, Malaysia
<b>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):</b> The carcass, meat and edible offal of cattle, pigs, sheep, goat, poultry and their products, and fish and fishery products intended for human consumption.
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Countries exporting the above mentioned products to Malaysia.
<b>5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Control of prohibited drugs and drug residues in the carcass, meat and edible offal of cattle, pigs, sheep, goat, poultry and their products and fish and fishery products intended for human consumption imported into Malaysia.
<b>6. Description of content:</b> In order to protect the consumer from dangers of consuming food contaminated with drugs and drug residues, the Ministry of Health Malaysia has been enforcing the ban of the following prohibited drugs in food intended for human consumption since 16 January 1998: (a) Beta-agonists, (b) Nitrofurans and (c) Chloramphenicol.  All imported carcass, meat and edible offal of cattle, pigs, sheep, goat, poultry and their products and fish and fishery products intended for human consumption must be accompanied by a Health Certificate from the competent authority stating the absence of the prohibited drugs and drug residues as follows: (a) Beta-agonists in the carcass, meat and edible offal of cattle, pigs, sheep, goat and their products (b) Nitrofurans in the carcass, meat and edible offal of poultry and their products, and fish and fishery products (c) Chloramphenicol in the carcass, meat and edible offal of poultry and their products, and fish and fishery products
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> [ X ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests

8.	<p><b>International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p><b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b></p>
9.	<p><b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Regulation 40 and Table II to the Fifteenth A Schedule, Food Regulations 1985 and Food (Amendment) Regulations 1998 (P.U. (A) 24/98) available in the National Language and English.</p>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption:</b></p> <p>1. Ban of prohibited drugs and drug residues in food has been in force since 16 January 1998.</p> <p>2. Requirement for Health Certificate from the competent authority in force 60 days from date of WTO notification.</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b></p> <p>1. Ban of prohibited drugs and drug residues in food has been in force since 16 January 1998.</p> <p>2. Requirement for Health Certificate from the competent authority in force 60 days from date of WTO notification.</p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from date of WTO notification.</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Director  Food Quality Control Division  Public Health Department  Ministry of Health Malaysia  Level 3, Block B, Health Offices Complex, Jalan Cenderasari,  50590 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  Tel: 603 26946601 / 603 26946523  Fax: 603 26946517  E-mail: <a href="mailto:abd_rahim@moh.gov.my">abd_rahim@moh.gov.my</a> or <a href="mailto:zaleenah@moh.gov.my">zaleenah@moh.gov.my</a></p>
13.	<p><b>Texts available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Director  Food Quality Control Division  Public Health Department  Ministry of Health Malaysia  Level 3, Block B, Health Offices Complex, Jalan Cenderasari,  50590 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  Tel: 603 26946601 / 603 26946523  Fax: 603 26946517  E-mail: <a href="mailto:abd_rahim@moh.gov.my">abd_rahim@moh.gov.my</a> or <a href="mailto:zaleenah@moh.gov.my">zaleenah@moh.gov.my</a></p>