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## **China - Peoples Republic of**

### **Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards - Narrative**

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**Report Highlights:**

This report is an index of all agricultural product import regulations and standards translated and published by the Office of Agriculture Affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing through December 2013.

During 2013, China continued to streamline its regulatory system for imported food and agricultural products, upgraded the domestic food safety regime, and solicited public comments for revisions to the 2009 Food Safety Law. Recent refinements accentuated this shift toward a more vertical, product-oriented structure in China's food safety management. The GAIN report "The Food Safety Management System in China" (CH13020) provides an overview of the Chinese food safety regulatory infrastructure and import control policies.

This report captures the key standards and provisions that relate to imported products destined for the Chinese market and notes changes or modifications to existing standards.

### **Report Format**

This report is the *China Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards (FAIRS) Working Index*. It is a working index of all regulations and standards pertaining to food and agricultural imports that have been translated by the Office of Agriculture Affairs of the U.S. Embassy in Beijing. Each regulation and standard is now contained in a separate report on the GAIN system. These reports can be accessed on the Foreign Agricultural Service web site at "[www.fas.usda.gov](http://www.fas.usda.gov)" under the Attaché Reports section. Readers can search for reports of interest by name or document number (CHXXXX).

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The date next to the report is the publication date of the translated Chinese version. For answers to specific questions, U.S. exporters are encouraged to contact any of the FAS offices in China, or the Foreign Agriculture Service in Washington, DC. Contact Information can be found on the following page.

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## **Section I. Food Laws:**

### **\* Food Safety Law Draft for Comment (Compared with the 2009 Food Safety Law)-CH13064**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Safety%20Law%20Draft%20for%20Comment%20Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_11-8-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Safety%20Law%20Draft%20for%20Comment%20Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-8-2013.pdf)

On October 29, 2013, China Food and Drug Administration (CFDA) released the Food Safety Law (Draft for Review) to the State Council. The deadline for submitting comments is November 29, 2013.

The Draft Food Safety Law reflects the changes of the food safety regulatory regime in China taking place in March 2013.

### **Grain Law (draft for public comments) – CH12023**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Grain%20Law%20\(draft%20for%20public%20comments\)\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_3-6-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Grain%20Law%20(draft%20for%20public%20comments)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-6-2012.pdf)

Translated version: February 21, 2012

On February 2012, the Government of China (GOC) issued the Grain Law (currently a draft) and an explanatory notice for the legislation. According to the explanatory notice, safeguarding national grain security is the fundamental purpose of the Grain Law. The draft law applies to grains, edible vegetable oil, and oilseeds, as well as the production, distribution, and consumption of these commodities. It also defines the roles and responsibilities for different administrative departments in managing grain production, processing, trade, reserves, and market information dissemination. For some of these areas, the law does not provide any details on implementation, which may be formulated later by other relevant government agencies.

### **Final Food Safety Law Implementation Measures – CH9066**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Final%20Food%20Safety%20Law%20Implementation%20Measures\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_8-14-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Final%20Food%20Safety%20Law%20Implementation%20Measures_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-14-2009.pdf)

Translated version: July 20, 2009

On July 20, 2009, China's National People's Congress (NPC) Standing Committee passed the first comprehensive Food Safety Law (FSL) after five years of drafting; the first draft was read in December 2007. The FSL went into effect on June 1, 2009. On April 24, the State Council published the first set of implementation regulations related to the new law (CH9040). Following a public comment period, the final implementation regulations were published on July 20, 2009 to go into force immediately. Many other regulations and implementing measures have been released following the publication of the final food safety law (CH9019). The following reports touches on various measures relating to trade that have been released as unofficial English translations from the Office of Agricultural Affairs Beijing: Food Safety Law and its implementation regulations (CH9018, CH9019, CH9040), Ministry of Health draft regulations (CH9051) and quarantine regulations on import food and feed (CH9065). Neither the Food Safety Law nor any associated regulations have been notified to the World Trade Organization.

### **MOH Circular on Food Safety Law – CH9078**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/MOH%20Circular%20on%20Food%20Safety%20Law\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-28-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/MOH%20Circular%20on%20Food%20Safety%20Law_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-28-2009.pdf)

Translated version: June 5, 2009

The Ministry of Health issued -Circular on the Relevant Issues on Implementation of the Food Safety Law. The circular provides general instruction to relevant government organizations on executing the new law.

### **Food Safety Law-CH9019**

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200903/146327461.pdf>

Translated version in February 2009

China's National People's Congress (NPC) Standing Committee passed the first comprehensive Food Safety Law (FSL) after five years of drafting; the first draft was read in December 2007. The FSL will go into effect on June 1, 2009. For the first time, the Chinese Government uses Western terminology in calling for food safety regulation "from the production line to the dining table." Key organizational provisions create a state-level Food Safety Commission to oversee food-safety monitoring. Other key provisions deal with supervision, monitoring, enforcement, recall, trace back, licensing, registration, and development of standards and regulations. A complete analysis of this law is provided in GAIN Report CH9018.

Law on Farm Product Quality and Safety – CH6095

Translated version: April 29, 2006

The National People's Congress (NPC) approved and issued the law on "Farm Product Quality and Safety" in April 2006 and it took effect November 1, 2006. In a bid to eliminate systematic food safety concerns, this law outlines food product quality and safety responsibilities for each level of government. The new legislation also emphasizes that all producers that market a product, even small farmers, must meet basic Chinese food safety and quality criteria. The law relates to all existing standards and technical regulations, but focuses on clarifying inspection and enforcement responsibilities.

Seed Law Implementation Regulations - CH1052

Translated version: February 13, 2001

The Implementation Regulations include five decrees from the Ministry of Agriculture (Decree 44: Measures for the Examination and Approval of Major Crop Varieties, Decree 48: Measures for the Administration of Crop Seed Production License and Management License, Decree 49: Measures for the Labeling of Crop Seeds, Decree 50: Measures for the Processing and Packaging of Seeds, and Decree 51: Measures for the Scope of Major Crops). The Ministry of Agriculture has statutory authority over the Seed Law.

Seed Law - CH0031

Translated version: July 8, 2000

The Seed Law includes chapters on protection of germplasm, examination of varieties, seed production and management, seed quality, the import and export of seeds and foreign cooperation on seeds. In 2004, China amended two articles of the Seed Law (see CH4063).

Administrative Measures for Review and Approval of Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine Law - CH2039

Translated version: August 1, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Decree No. 25 "Administrative Measures for Review and Approval of Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine" was issued on August 1, 2002. The regulation, effective from September 1, 2002, regulates the application procedure for Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine permits along with the final use of such permits. The Measures also regulate AQSIQ's review and approval process for Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine.

Implementation Regulations for Animal and Plant Entry and Exit Quarantine Law - CH3110

Translated version: December 2, 1996

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/5

The Implementation Regulations were published and announced in SC Decree No. 206 for Implementation from January 1, 1997. The regulations provided the implementation details for the Animal and Plant Entry and Exit Law (NPC Order No. 53).

Consumer Protection Law - CH1055

Translated version: January 1, 1994

UNOFFICIAL English language text of the Consumer Protection Law for the People's Republic of China can be found at the web site: "<http://www.qis.net/chinalaw>". The law was adopted by the NPC in October 1993 and implemented January 1, 1994. The law guarantees consumers rights', details business operators' obligations and legal responsibilities, and outlines procedures for dispute resolution.

## **Section II. Labeling Requirements:**

### **\* Feed Label Standard – CH13063**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Feed%20Label%20Standard%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2011-1-2013.pdf>

On October 10, 2013, China's General Administration for Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published amended Feed Label Standard (GB 10648-2013), which will come into effect on July 1, 2014. The Standard was notified to the World Trade Organization (WTO) on April 10, 2013 as G/TBT/N/CHN/955. Preliminary review of this Standard show some changes were made from the previous version GB 10648-1999, but these changes shall not significantly impact feed trade. The United States industry is recommended to study this Standard in particular the main technical changes in this standard Compared with GB 10648-1999 in the Forward Part, and consult with the China's importers for detailed requirements for feed label.

### **\*General Rules for Nutrition Labeling of Prepackaged Foods-CH13001**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/General%20Rules%20for%20Nutrition%20Labeling%20of%20Prepackaged%20Foods%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%201-9-2013.pdf>

On October 12, 2011, China's Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard for Nutrition Labeling of Prepackaged Foods (GB 28050-2011), which went into force on January 1, 2013. This standard prescribes the basic principles and requirements for the nutrition labeling and claims on pre-packaged foods directly offered to consumers. The standard also applies to the description and explanation of nutrition information on nutrition labeling of pre-packaged foods. China notified the draft standard to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/734 on April 21, 2010.

### **National Food Safety Standard- Labeling of Prepackaged Foods for Special Dietary Uses (Draft) – CH 12081**

Translated version: August 27, 2012

On August 27, 2012, Ministry of Health issued the National Food Safety Standard- Labeling of Prepackaged Foods for Special Dietary Uses (Draft) for public comments. The New standard replaces GB 13432-2004 "General Standards for Labeling of Prepackaged Foods for Special Dietary Uses", and main changes include: Definition of special dietary foods is revised, fundamental requirements are revised, partial requirements for labeling contents are revised, and appendix A of the 2004 standard is deleted.

### **General Rules for the Labeling of Prepackaged Foods - CH11030**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/General%20Rules%20for%20the%20Labeling%20of%20Prepackaged%20Foods%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%205-25-2011.pdf>

Translated version: May 13, 2011

On May 13, China's Ministry of Health published on its web site National Food Safety Standard on General Rules for the Labeling of Prepackaged Foods to be adopted on April 20, 2012. These Rules prescribe the basic requirements for the labeling of pre-packaged foods. They apply to the labeling of all pre-packaged foods directly or indirectly offered to consumers. A draft version of these rules was notified to the WTO on April 20, 2010 as TBT/N/CHN/733.

### **General Standard for the Labeling of Food Additives (Draft)**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/General%20Standard%20for%20the%20Labeling%20>

[of%20Food%20Additives%20\(Draft\)\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-19-2011.pdf](#)

Translated version: November 17, 2011

On November 17, 2011, the Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the General Standard for the Labeling of Food Additives (draft) as G/SPS/N/CHN/480. This standard applies to the labeling of "food additives" sold by retail or by non-retail, including labels and instructions. It does not apply to flavoring substances.

National Standard for Labeling of Flavorings-CH9043

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/General%20Requirement%20for%20the%20Labeling%20of%20Flavorings\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-25-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/General%20Requirement%20for%20the%20Labeling%20of%20Flavorings_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-25-2009.pdf)

WTO announcement- TBT/N/CHN/571

Translated version on March 27, 2009

This standard specifies the requirements for the labeling of flavorings and the contents that should be marked. By reference to GB 7718-2004 General Standard for the Labeling of Prepackaged Foods and Measures for the Hygienic Administration of Food Additives, the drafters suggest that this standard was created on the basis of the practice of the flavoring industry.

China Streamlines Food Label Approval Process – CH6020

The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ) released Announcement No. 44 2006, "Adjustment of Import/Export Food and Cosmetic Label Examination System." As of April 1, 2006, the Announcement eliminates the need for a separate, preliminary examination and approval of labels used on imported and exported foods and the fee associated with that review. The label will be approved as part of CIQ's other inspection responsibilities at the port of entry.

Ag GMO Labeling - CH2002

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/139

Requirements for Ag GMO Labeling are contained within the Agricultural Genetically Modified Organisms Implementation Measures CH2002.

### **Section III. Packaging and Container Regulations:**

**\*National Food Safety Standard - Epoxy Polyamide Resin Coating (replacing GB 9686-1988)**

On May 17, 2012, the Ministry of Health Released the National Food Safety Standard - Epoxy Polyamide Resin Coating (GB 9686-2012, replacing GB 9686-1988). The standard came into effect on November 17, 2012.

Hygienic Standard for melamine-formaldehyde products used as food containers and packaging materials-CH9049

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146347824.pdf>

Translated version in June 2009

The standard sets forth the requirements for raw materials, hygienic requirements, testing methods, labeling, packaging, transportation, and storage for melamine-formaldehyde products. It applies to melamine-formaldehyde products used as food containers, packaging materials, and food industry equipment and instruments that are processed from melamine-formaldehyde resin.

Requirements of Restricting Excessive Packaging for Foods and Cosmetics

WTO announcement- G/TBT/N/CHN/447

Translated version on September 1, 2008

This national standard applies to the sale of packaged foods and cosmetics. It specifies the restrictions on excessive packaging of foods and cosmetics, as well as the calculation methods for determining permitted

packaging, including the requirements for spacing ratio, packaging layer and package cost. This standard has gone through many previous revisions and was originally reported on as GAIN report CH7054.

#### General Rule for Restricting Excessive Packaging (draft for comment) – CH7054

Translated version: January 25, 2005

The Standardization Administration of China (SAC) recently published a draft national standard for public comment. With a stated aim of protecting consumers and using resources in an efficient manner, the proposed standard on the General Rule for Restricting Excessive Packaging regulates packaging practices. Some of the packaging practices reference in the rule include the number of package layers and interspace ratio. Importantly, only one section of this rule (Clause 5.1.1) is mandatory.

#### Revised MB Treatment Requirements for Entry/Exit Wood Packaging Material – CH6058

Translated version: July 31, 2006

On July 31, 2006, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published its Announcement 2006 No. 105 on the revised methyl bromide (MB) fumigation requirements for entry/exit wood packing. The new regulation mandated a longer fumigation period and a higher dosage.

#### Quarantine and Supervision Administration Measures for the Importation of Wood Packaging Material (SPS/42) – CH6051

Translated version: December 31, 2005

AQSIQ announced Decree No. 84 – Quarantine and Supervision Administrative Measures for the Importation of Wood Packaging Materials (WPM). Measures are consistent with internationally recognized standards, namely the International Plant Protection Convention's (IPPC), "Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade (ISPM-15)."

#### Entry Wood Packing Materials – CH5014

Translated version: January 31, 2005

AQSIQ, Customs, MOFCOM, and SFA published this as Joint Announcement 2005 No. 11 entailing the requirements of entry wood packing material. The new regulations are scheduled to take effect on January 1, 2006. A draft of the decree was first circulated for comments on December 8, 2003 through the World Trade Organization, see announcement G/SPS/N/CHN/42. Article 2 of these final measures indicates AQSIQ will separately announce the phytosanitary treatment measures.

### **Section IV. Food Additives Regulations:**

#### **\*Suggested List of Food Safety Standards for Food Additives-CH13058**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Suggested%20List%20of%20Food%20Safety%20Standards%20for%20Food%20Additives\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_10-28-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Suggested%20List%20of%20Food%20Safety%20Standards%20for%20Food%20Additives_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_10-28-2013.pdf)

On October 10, 2012, the Ministry of Health (now the National Health and Family Planning Commission, NHFPC) started reviewing existing standards on quality and safety of edible agricultural products, food hygiene, and food quality, as well as mandatory standards for food-related products. Eight expert teams reviewed standards in eight categories (food products, physical-chemical testing methods, micro-organism inspection and testing method, procedures and methods for toxicological assessment of food, special dietary foods, food additives, food related products, and good practice in production and operation).

NHFPC has completed its review of standards. This report provides an unofficial translation of the suggested list of national food safety standards for food additives.

#### **\* National Food Safety Standard for Use of Food Additives-CH13025**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20for%2>

[Use of Food Additives Beijing China Peoples Republic of 12-4-2013.pdf](#)

On March 15, 2013, China’s National Health and Family Planning Commission (previously Ministry of Health) released National Food Safety Standard – National Food Safety Standard for Use of Food Additives (Draft for Public Comment). On March 27, China notified to the WTO the Draft Standard as SPS N CHN 602. Comments may be made to China’s SPS Enquiry Point before May 26, 2013.

The Standard is a revision of the National Food Safety Standard for Use of Food Additives (GB 2760-2011), which was released on April 20, 2011, and came into effect on June 20, 2012. The standard was notified to the WTO as G SPS N CHN 308.

**\*A list of the national food safety standard on additives released in the past 12<sup>th</sup> months:**

| Date of issuance | Effective Date | GB Number     | Standard Name (in English)   | SPS Notification |
|------------------|----------------|---------------|--|------------------|
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 10287-2012 | Glycerol Ester of Rosin and Glycerol Ester of Partially Hydrogenated Rosin | SPS CHN 539      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 14936-2012 | Diatomaceous Earth   | SPS CHN 494      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29227-2012 | Acetone  | SPS CHN 509      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29226-2012 | Calcium Aspartate  | SPS CHN 540      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29225-2012 | Attapulgate Clay   | SPS CHN 541      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29224-2012 | Ethyl Acetate  | SPS CHN 508      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29223-2012 | Dehydroacetic Acid   | SPS CHN 500      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29222-2012 | Polyoxyethylene (20) Sorbitan Monopalmitate (Tween40)                      | SPS CHN 503      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29221-2012 | Polyoxyethylene (20) Sorbitan Monolaur (Tween20)                           | SPS CHN 502      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29220-2012 | Sorbitan Tristearate (Span65)  | SPS CHN 504      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29219-2012 | Sorbitol   | SPS CHN 505      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29218-2012 | Methanol   | SPS CHN 507      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29217-2012 | Calcium Cyclamate  | SPS CHN 501      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29216-2012 | Propylene Glycol   | SPS CHN 506      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29215-2012 | Vegetable Activated Carbon (Wooden Activated Carbon)                       | SPS CHN 495      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29214-2012 | Sodium Ferrocyanide  | SPS CHN 485      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29213-2012 | Potassium Nitrate  | SPS CHN 484      |
| 12/25/2012       | 1/25/2013      | GB 29212-2012 | Iron Carbonyl  | SPS CHN 499      |

|            |           |               |                   |             |
|------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29211-2012 | Ferrous Sulfate   | SPS CHN 487 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29210-2012 | Copper Sulfate    | SPS CHN 486 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29209-2012 | Sodium Sulfate    | SPS CHN 498 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29208-2012 | Manganese Sulfate | SPS CHN 490 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29207-2012 | Magnesium Sulfate | SPS CHN 489 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29206-2012 | Ammonium Sulfate  | SPS CHN 497 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29205-2012 | Sulfuric Acid     | SPS CHN 496 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29204-2012 | Silica Gel        | SPS CHN 493 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29203-2012 | Potassium Iodide  | SPS CHN 488 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29202-2012 | Nitrogen          | SPS CHN 492 |
| 12/25/2012 | 1/25/2013 | GB 29201-2012 | Ammonia Solution  | SPS CHN 491 |

National Food Safety Standards for Uses of Food Additives - Part I – CH11037

National Food Safety Standards for Uses of Food Additives - Part II – CH11038

Translated version: August 2, 2010

On August 2, 2010, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on National Food Safety Standard - Standards for Uses of Food Additives as G/SPS/N/CHN/308. The standard (GB2760-2011) specifies the principles for application of food additives, allowed food additive varieties, scope of application, and maximum level or residue levels. The final version was published on April 20, 2011 and implemented on June 20, 2011.

Administrative Measures on New Food Additive Varieties (Final) - CH11007

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20on%20New%20Food%20Additive%20Varieties%20\(Final\)\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_2-25-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20on%20New%20Food%20Additive%20Varieties%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-25-2011.pdf)

Translated version: April 22, 2010

On April 22, 2010, China's Ministry of Health published on its web site the Administrative Measures on New Food Additive Varieties (Final) for adoption on March 30, 2010. The Measures replaced the Administrative Measures on Food Additive Hygiene issued by the Ministry on March 28, 2002.

Food Additive Registration

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Additive%20Registration\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-12-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Additive%20Registration_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-12-2010.pdf)

Translated version: March 10, 2010

On March 10, 2010, China's Ministry of Health published "Order No. 73: Measures for Administration of New Food Additives." These measures were "formulated for the purpose of reinforcing administration of new food additives in accordance with the Food Safety Law." This measure went into force on March 10, the date of its publication.

Guidelines for the Use of Flavorings - CH10048

WTO Notification G/SPS/N/CHN/306

Translated version: August 4, 2010

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Iodine%20Content%20in%20Edible%20Salt\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_8-13-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Iodine%20Content%20in%20Edible%20Salt_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-13-2010.pdf)

On August 4, China's Ministry of Health notified the WTO of Guidelines for Use of Flavorings as G/SPS/N/CHN/306. This guideline prescribes the use of flavoring in food.

National Food Safety Standard on Methanol

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Methanol%20-%20Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_2-2-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Methanol%20-%20Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-2-2012.pdf)

Translated version: November 18, 2011

On November 18, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additive Methanol as SPS/N/CHN/507. This standard applies to food additive methanol made from coal, natural gas, light oil or heavy oil. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive methanol.

Follow-up: on December 25, 2012, MOH released the National Food Safety Standard-Methanol (GB29218-2012), which became effective on January 25, 2013. Full text of the final standard can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/ewebeditor/uploadfile/2012/12/20121228163618296.pdf>

National Food Safety Standard on Polyethylene Resin

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Polyethylene%20Resin%20-%20Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_2-2-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Polyethylene%20Resin%20-%20Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-2-2012.pdf)

Translated version: November 17, 2011

On November 17, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Polyethylene Resin as SPS/N/CHN/482. This standard applies to polyethylene resin made of ethylene homopolymer and copolymers of ethylene and olefin used for food containers and packaging materials. This standard stipulates technical requirements and packaging requirements of polyethylene resin used for food containers and packaging materials.

National Food Safety Standard on Polypropylene Resin

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Polypropylene%20Resin%20-%20Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_2-2-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Polypropylene%20Resin%20-%20Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-2-2012.pdf)

Translated version: November 17, 2011

On November 17, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Polypropylene Resin as SPS/N/CHN/483. This standard applies to polypropylene resin made of propylene homopolymer and copolymers of propylene and olefin used for food containers and packaging materials. This standard stipulates technical requirements and packaging requirements of polypropylene resin used for food containers and packaging materials.

National Food Safety Standard on Sodium Ferrocyanide

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Sodium%20Ferrocyanide%20-%20Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_2-2-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Sodium%20Ferrocyanide%20-%20Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-2-2012.pdf)

Translated version: November 17, 2011

On November 17, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additive Sodium Ferrocyanide as SPS/N/CHN/485. This standard applies to food additive sodium ferrocyanide made from sodium cyanide and ferrous sulfate or ferrum reductum, sodium hydroxide and hydrogen cyanide. It specifies the scope, technical requirements and testing methods for food additive sodium ferrocyanide.

Follow-up: on December 25, 2012, MOH released the National Food Safety Standard- Sodium Ferrocyanide (GB29214-2012), which became effective on January 25, 2013. Full text of the final standard can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/zwgkzt/pgg/201212/9f4017637c724d398ab7dd8cf9a09540.shtml>

#### National Food Safety Standard on Vegetable Activated Carbon

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Vegetable%20Activated%20Carbon%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%202-2-2012.pdf>

Translated version: November 18, 2011

On November 18, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additive Vegetable Activated Carbon (Wooden Activated Carbon) as SPS/N/CHN/495. This standard applies to food additive vegetable activated carbon (wooden activated carbon) made from plant materials such as sawdust, coconut shells, and nutshells through physical or chemical method.

Follow-up: on December 25, 2012, MOH released the National Food Safety Standard- Vegetable Activated Carbon (Wooden Activated Carbon) (GB 29215-2012), which became effective on January 25, 2013. Full text of the final standard can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/zwgkzt/pgg/201212/9f4017637c724d398ab7dd8cf9a09540.shtml>

#### National Food Safety Standards on Calcium

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standards%20on%20Calcium%20-%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%202-2-2012.pdf>

Translated version: November 18, 2011

On November 18, 2011, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additive Calcium Cyclamate as SPS/N/CHN/501. This standard applies to food additive calcium cyclamate, which is made from chemical combination of cyclohexylamine and sulfamic acid, and then reacts with calcium hydroxide. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive calcium cyclamate.

Follow-up: on December 25, 2012, MOH released the National Food Safety Standard- Calcium Cyclamate (GB 29217-2012), which became effective on January 25, 2013. Full text of the final standard can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/zwgkzt/pgg/201212/9f4017637c724d398ab7dd8cf9a09540.shtml>

#### Food Additive Erythritol

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Additive%20Erythritol%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%205-31-2011.pdf>

Translated version: May 2, 2011

On May 2, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Food Additive Erythritol as G/SPS/N/CHN/360. The standard specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for the food additive erythritol. The adoption date of the standard was May 15, 2011.

Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Erythritol (GB 26404-2011), and the Standard came into force on May 15, 2011.

#### Food Additive Lutein

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Additive%20Lutein%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%205-31-2011.pdf>

Translated version: May 2, 2011

On May 2, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Food Additive Lutein as G/SPS/N/CHN/359. The standard applies to lutein obtained from marigold (*Tagetes erecta* L.). It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive lutein. The adoption date of the standard is May 15, 2011.

Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Lutein (GB 26405-2011), and the Standard came into force on May 15, 2011.

#### Food Additive Sodium Copper Chlorophyllin

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Additive%20Sodium%20Copper%20Chloro>

[phyllin\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-31-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Additive%20Tertiary%20Butylhydroquinone%20(TBHQ)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-31-2011.pdf)

Translated version: May 2, 2011

On May 2, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Food Additive Sodium Copper Chlorophyllin as G/SPS/N/CHN/358. The standard applies to powdered food additive sodium copper chlorophyllin obtained by adding copper to the product obtained by the saponification of a solvent extraction of mulberry leaf or dung of silk worms. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for sodium copper chlorophyllin. The adoption date of the standard is May 15, 2011.

Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sodium Copper Chlorophyllin (GB 26406-2011), and the Standard came into force on May 15, 2011.

Food Additive Tertiary Butylhydroquinone (TBHQ)

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Additive%20Tertiary%20Butylhydroquinone%20\(TBHQ\)\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-31-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Additive%20Tertiary%20Butylhydroquinone%20(TBHQ)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-31-2011.pdf)

Translated version: May 2, 2011

On May 2, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Food Additive Tertiary Butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) as G/SPS/N/CHN/357. The standard specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive TBHQ. It came into force on May 15, 2011.

Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Tertiary Butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) (GB 26403-2011), and the Standard came into force on May 15, 2011.

China to ban the use of benzoyl peroxide in flour on May 1-CH11011

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/China%20to%20ban%20the%20use%20of%20benzoyl%20peroxide%20in%20flour%20on%20May%202011\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_3-4-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/China%20to%20ban%20the%20use%20of%20benzoyl%20peroxide%20in%20flour%20on%20May%202011_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-4-2011.pdf)

Translated version: March 1, 2011

On March 1, 2011, the Ministry of Health published on its web site a joint statement officially revoking, as of May 1, 2011, the approval of benzoyl peroxide and calcium peroxide as food additives, and prohibiting the use of these additives in flour processing. Flour and flour products produced before this date using benzoyl peroxide and calcium peroxide may be sold through their expiry dates.

On October 24, 2007, China notified to the WTO a proposed rule banning the use of benzoyl peroxide in wheat flour as G/SPS/N/CHN/103. On December 15, 2010, the Ministry of Health published an announcement soliciting domestic comments on a proposed rule to ban benzoyl peroxide and calcium peroxide in flour processing beginning December 31, 2011.

National Food Additive Standard-Potassium Iodate (Draft) - CH10049

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-Potassium%20Iodate\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_8-13-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-Potassium%20Iodate_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-13-2010.pdf)

WTO notification: G/SPS/N/CHN/309.

Translated version: August 4, 2010

This standard applies to food additive potassium iodate, which is used as iodine reinforcement in edible salt processing. This standard prescribes its quality specification and testing methods

Follow-up: On March 15, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Potassium iodate, which was put into force on May 15, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at: <http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201103/51024.htm>

National Food Safety Standard – Trisodium Phosphate – CH10039

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Trisodium%20Phosphate\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_6-14-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Trisodium%20Phosphate_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_6-14-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Trisodium Phosphate as SPS/N/CHN/243. This measure applies to the technical requirements and characterization of the food additive Trisodium Phosphate. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Trisodium Phosphate (GB 25565-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Safety Standard – Sodium Hypochlorite - CH10040

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Sodium%20Pypochlorite\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_6-14-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Sodium%20Pypochlorite_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_6-14-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Sodium hypochlorite as SPS/N/CHN/253. This measure applies to the definition and characteristics of the food additive Sodium Hypochlorite. It also specifies the testing methods to detect this chemical.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sodium Hypochlorite (GB 25574-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Safety Standard – Stabilized Chlorine Dioxide Solution – CH10041

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Stabilized%20Chlorine%20Dioxide%20Solution\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_6-14-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Stabilized%20Chlorine%20Dioxide%20Solution_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_6-14-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Stabilized Chloride Dioxide Solution as SPS/N/CHN/259. This measure applies to the definition and characterization of the food additive Stabilized Chloride Dioxide Solution. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Stabilized Chlorine Dioxide Solution (GB 25580-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Additive Standard – Sulfur – CH10026

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard%20-%20Sulphur\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-20-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard%20-%20Sulphur_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-20-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - Sulphur " as SPS/N/CHN/249. This measure -applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of food additive sulphur. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sulphur (GB 3150-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Additive Standard – Fumaric Acid – CH10027

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-Fumaric%20Acid\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-21-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-Fumaric%20Acid_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-21-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - Fumaric Acid" as SPS/N/CHN/284. This measure -applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive fumaric acid. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Fumaric Acid (GB 25546-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Additive Standard – Sucralose – CH10028

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-Sucralose Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-21-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-Sucralose%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%205-21-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - Sucralose" as SPS/N/CHN/208. This measure -applies to the technical requirements and testing methods for sucralose.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sucralose (GB 25531-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Additive Standard – Polydextrose - CH10029

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard%20-Polydextrose Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-20-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard%20-Polydextrose%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%205-20-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - Polydextrose" as SPS/N/CHN/219. This measure - applies to food additive polydextrose obtained by melting and condensation of the ingredients of glucose, sorbitol and citric acid. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive polydextrose.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Polydextrose (GB 25541-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Additive Standard – Malic Acid – CH10030

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-%20DL-malic%20acid Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 5-20-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Additive%20Standard-%20DL-malic%20acid%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%205-20-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives - DL-Malic Acid" as SPS/N/CHN/282. This measure -applies to the technical requirements and testing methods for sucralose.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive DL-Malic Acid (GB 25544-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Safety Standard – New Red – CH10032

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-New%20Red Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 6-2-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-New%20Red%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%206-2-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010 China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – New Red as SPS/N/CHN/278. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive new red.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive New Red (GB 14888.1-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Safety Standard – Amaranth - CH10033

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20Amaranth%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%206-2-2010.pdf>

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Amaranth as SPS/N/CHN/275. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive amaranth. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Amaranth (GB 4479.1-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Safety Standard – Erythrosine – CH10034

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20Erythrosine%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%206-2-2010.pdf>

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Erythrosine as SPS/N/CHN/276. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive erythrosine. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Erythrosine (GB 17512.1-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Additive Standard – Potassium Chloride – CH10035

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Potassium%20Chloride%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%206-2-2010.pdf>

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Potassium Chloride as SPS/N/CHN/264. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive potassium chloride. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Potassium Chloride (GB 25585-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Safety Standard – Sunset Yellow – CH10036

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Sunset%20Yellow%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%206-2-2010.pdf>

Translation version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Sunset Yellow as SPS/N/CHN/274. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive sunset yellow. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Sunset Yellow (GB 6227.1-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the

standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Food Safety Standard – Erythrosine Aluminum Lake – CH10037

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Erythrosine%20Aluminum%20Lake Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 6-2-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Erythrosine%20Aluminum%20Lake%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%206-2-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Food Additives – Erythrosine Aluminum Lake as SPS/N/CHN/277. This measure applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of the food additive Erythrosine Aluminum Lake. It specifies the scope, requirements and testing methods.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Food Additive Erythrosine Aluminum Lake (GB 17512.2-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

National Standard of Flavorings-CH9039

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200905/146347789.pdf>

WTO announcement- TBT/N/CHN/575

Translated version on March 27, 2009

This standard specifies the requirements, test methods, inspection rules, marks, packing, transport, storage and shelf-life of flavorings.

Follow-up: On May 24, 2013, China notified the WTO the National food safety standard: Food additive Flavourings (compounded flavours) as G/SPS/N/CHN/621. The Draft Standard can be downloaded at:

[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/sps/CHN/13\\_2001\\_00\\_x.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/sps/CHN/13_2001_00_x.pdf).

National Standard for Enzyme Preparations Used in Food Processing (Draft)-CH9008

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Hygienic%20Standard%20for%20Enzyme%20Preparations%20Used%20in%20Food%20Processing Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of 9-25-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Hygienic%20Standard%20for%20Enzyme%20Preparations%20Used%20in%20Food%20Processing%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%209-25-2009.pdf)

WTO announcement- G/SPS/N/CHN/112

Translated version on January 5, 2009

The standard specifies the requirements for raw materials, contaminants, micro-organisms, and antimicrobial activity for enzyme preparations in food processing. Upon adoption, this will be a mandatory standard.

Follow-up: On December 21, 2010, Ministry of Health published the National Food Safety Standard of Enzyme Preparations Used in Food Processing (GB 25594-2010), which was put into force on February 21, 2011. Full text of the standard can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201012/50200.htm>

Food Additive Xylitol – CH5007

WTO Announcement: G/TBT/N/CHN/77 from January 10, 2005

Translated version: January 10, 2005

China announced GB13509 Food Additive Xylitol to the WTO TBT Committee in order to solicit comments from trading partners. Once finalized this Standard will replace the previous edition from 1992. The draft text indicates the Standard adopts the fourth edition of the American Food Chemicals Codex.

## **Section V. Pesticides and Other Contaminants:**

**\*Restrict Concentrations of Radionuclides in Foods (Draft)-CH13050**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Restrict%20Concentrations%20of%20Radionuclides>

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Maximum%20Levels%20of%20Mycotoxins%20in%20Foods%20\(Draft\)%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%209-30-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Maximum%20Levels%20of%20Mycotoxins%20in%20Foods%20(Draft)%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%209-30-2013.pdf)

Translated version: September 25, 2013

On August 16, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Restrict concentrations of radionuclides in foods as SPS/N/CHN/629. This standard specifies investigation levels and restricts concentrations of 12 artificial radionuclides and 7 natural radionuclides in foods. This standard applies to all kinds of food under normal circumstances. The date for submission of final comments to China is October 15, 2013. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

**\* Maximum Levels of Mycotoxins in Foods (amendment to GB 2761)-CH13051**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Maximum%20Levels%20of%20Mycotoxins%20in%20Foods%20\(amendment%20to%20GB%202761\)%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%209-30-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Maximum%20Levels%20of%20Mycotoxins%20in%20Foods%20(amendment%20to%20GB%202761)%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%209-30-2013.pdf)

Translated version: September 30, 2013

On August 12, China notified to the WTO The Draft Amendment of National Food Safety Standard- Maximum Levels of Mycotoxins in Foods (GB 2761) as SPS/N/CHN/630. The draft will amend Article 4 to establish the maximum levels of ochratoxin A in wine and coffee. The date for submission of final comments to China is October 11, 2013. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

**\* Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides in Foods**

On February 8, 2013, China notified the WTO draft national food safety standard of Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides in Foods (G SPS N CHN 600). This standard establishes 137 maximum residue limits (MRLs) for 62 pesticides, including abamectin etc. in foods.

The draft standard can be downloaded at:

[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/sps/CHN/13\\_0667\\_00\\_x.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/sps/CHN/13_0667_00_x.pdf)

**National Food Safety Standard-Pathogen Limits for Food-12063**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Pathogen%20Limits%20for%20Food%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2010-23-2012.pdf>

On October 16, 2012, China notified to the WTO a National Food Safety Standard – Pathogen Limits for Food as SPS/N/CHN 544. The standard stipulates pathogen limits for food, and sets a date for final comments submission of December 15 2012. The proposed date of entry into force is to be determined.

**National Food Safety Standard-Maximum Levels of Mycotoxins in Food - CH11031**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Maximum%20Levels%20of%20Mycotoxins%20in%20Foods%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%205-25-2011.pdf>

On May 13, China's Ministry of Health published on its web site National Food Safety Standard on Maximum Levels of Mycotoxins in Foods. To be implemented on October 20, 2011, the standard prescribes the maximum levels of Aflatoxin B1, Aflatoxins M1, Deoxynivalenol, Patulin, Ochratoxin A, and Zearalenone in foods. A draft version of the standard was notified to the WTO on August 12, 2010 as G/SPS/N/CHN/311.

**China Re-issues Banned Drugs and Substances in Feed and Animal Production- CH11023**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/China%20Re-issues%20Banned%20Drugs%20and%20substances%20in%20Feed%20and%20Animal%20Production%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%205-5-2011.pdf>

On April 22, the Ministry of Agriculture published a total of 82 drugs and substances that are banned in feed, animal drinking water, and animal production. These banned drugs and substances were previously released in the Ministry announcements No.176, No.193 and No.1519.

**List of Veterinary Drugs Banned for Use for Food Animals - CH11015**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/List%20of%20Veterinary%20Drugs%20Banned%20for%20Use%20for%20Food%20Animals\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_3-11-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/List%20of%20Veterinary%20Drugs%20Banned%20for%20Use%20for%20Food%20Animals_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-11-2011.pdf)

In April, 2002, China's Ministry of Agriculture published a List of Veterinary Drugs and their Compounds Banned for Use for Food Animals. It applies to both domestically-produced and imported veterinary drugs.

#### Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticide in Food

WTO Notification G/SPS/N/CHN/313

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Maximum%20Residue%20Limits%20for%20Pesticide%20in%20Food\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_11-2-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Maximum%20Residue%20Limits%20for%20Pesticide%20in%20Food_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-2-2010.pdf)

Translated version: September 21, 2010

On September 21, 2010, China's Ministry of Agriculture notified the WTO of Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticide in Food as G/SPS/N/CHN/313. This standard establishes 118 maximum residue limits (MRLs) for 54 pesticides, including paraquat, fenbutatin oxide, etc., in foods.

Follow-up: On November 16, 2012, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard - Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides in Food (GB 2763 - 2012), which sets residue limits for over 300 pesticides in food. The new Standard came into force on March 1, 2013.

#### Iodine Content in Edible Salt –CH10050

WTO Notification G/SPS/N/CHN/310

Translated version: August 4, 2010

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Iodine%20Content%20in%20Edible%20Salt\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_8-13-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Iodine%20Content%20in%20Edible%20Salt_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-13-2010.pdf)

On August 4, China's Ministry of Health notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard-Iodine Content in Edible Salt as G/SPS/N/CHN/310. This standard prescribes the iodine content in edible salt. It applies to the management of manufacture, storage, transit, wholesale and retail of edible salt.

Follow-up: on September 2011, Ministry of Health issued the National Food Safety Standard of Iodine Content in Edible Salt, which was put into effect on March 15, 2012. Full text the standard in Chinese can be found at: <http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsj/s7891/201109/53064.htm>

#### Guidelines and Prescriptions for Use of Processing Aids - CH10047

WTO Notification: G/SPS/N/CHN/307

Translated version:

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Guidelines%20and%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Processing%20Aids\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_8-13-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Guidelines%20and%20Prescriptions%20for%20Use%20of%20Processing%20Aids_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-13-2010.pdf)

On August 4, China's Ministry of Health notified the WTO of Guidelines and Prescriptions for Use of Processing Aids in Food Industry as G/SPS/N/CHN/307. This guideline prescribes the use of processing aids in food industry.

#### National Food Safety Standard-Maximum Levels of Contaminants in Food – CH10000

WTO Notification G/SPS/N/CHN/312

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Maximum%20Levels%20of%20Contaminants%20in%20Food\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_8-19-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Maximum%20Levels%20of%20Contaminants%20in%20Food_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-19-2010.pdf)

Translated version: August 12, 2010

On August 12, China's Ministry of Health notified the WTO of Maximum Levels of Contaminants in Foods as G/SPS/N/CHN/312. This standard prescribes the maximum levels of Lead, Cadmium, Mercury, Arsenic, Tin, Nickel, Chromium, Nitrate, Nitrite, Benzo[a]pyrene, N nitrosamines, Polychlorinated biphenyls and 3-chloro-1, 2-propanediol in foods.

Follow-up: On November 13, 2012, MOH released the National Food Safety Standards of “Maximum Levels of

Contaminants in Foods” (GB 2762-2012), which came into force on June 1, 2013. Full text of the standard can be found at: <http://www.moh.gov.cn/ewebeditor/uploadfile/2013/01/20130128114248937.pdf>

Elimination of Selenium Food Contaminant Standard

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Elimination%20of%20Selenium%20from%20Food%20Contaminant%20Standard\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-18-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Elimination%20of%20Selenium%20from%20Food%20Contaminant%20Standard_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-18-2010.pdf)

Translated version: April 14, 2010 China notified the WTO of —Notice on revoking the provision for selenium in the standard for maximum levels of contaminations in foods (GB2762-2005) as G/SPS/N/CHN/204. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was June 13, 2010.

Chinese Veterinary Drug MRLs – CH7082

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/GainFiles/200711/146292903.pdf>

In 2002, the Ministry of Agriculture published Announcement 235, a compendium of permissible uses for veterinary drugs in China and their Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs). The 2002 Announcement replaced the previous 1999 version of this document, published under the notification number Nongmufa No. 17 (1999). This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of this Ministry of Agriculture measure.

## **Section VI. Other Regulations and Requirements:**

### **Major Laws, Measures, Regulations, and Provisions**

#### **\*AQSIQ Notice for Administration of Imported Infant Formula Powder-CH13053**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/AQSIQ%20Notice%20for%20Administration%20of%20Imported%20Infant%20Formula%20Powder\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_10-25-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/AQSIQ%20Notice%20for%20Administration%20of%20Imported%20Infant%20Formula%20Powder_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_10-25-2013.pdf)

Translated: October 23, 2013

The Chinese General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine notice dated September 27, 2013 provided new measures for strengthening administration of imported infant formula powder. The measures set requirements for labeling, registration, and shelf life of imported infant formula powder products.

#### **\*Administrative Measures for Safety Review of New Food Materials-CH13036**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20for%20Safety%20Review%20of%20New%20Food%20Materials\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_8-1-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20for%20Safety%20Review%20of%20New%20Food%20Materials_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-1-2013.pdf)

The newly established National Health and Family Planning Commission (NHFPC) issued its first decree on May 31, 2013, announcing the Administrative Measures for Safety Review of New Food Materials. The Measures provide for requirements for safety review of new food materials. The Measures replaces the Administrative Measures on Novel Food published by the former Ministry of Health on December 1, 2007.

#### **\*Regulation on Inspection and Quarantine of Import and Export of Dairy Product-CH13023**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Regulation%20on%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20of%20Imp%20and%20Exp%20Dairy%20Product\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_2-8-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Regulation%20on%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20of%20Imp%20and%20Exp%20Dairy%20Product_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-8-2013.pdf)

The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of China has published the Administrative Measures on Inspection, Quarantine and Supervision of Import and Export of Dairy Products, which will take effect on May 1, 2013. A draft version was notified to the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/355 on March 23, 2011. (see GAIN report 3/24/2011 ). This measure is targeting increased oversight of dairy products, both imported and domestic, and reflects China’s implementation under the 2009 Food Safety Law of a system wide focus on traceability and on product standards.

**\*Draft Measures for Major Crops Seed Variety Registration- CH13011**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Draft%20Measures%20for%20Major%20Crops%20Variety%20Registration%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%203-12-2013.pdf>

On February 27, 2013, the Ministry of Agriculture of China (MOA) released the Draft Administrative Measures for Major Crop Seed Variety Registration for public comment. These Measures have not been notified to the World Trade Organization. The deadline for comment is March 31, 2013. This report provides an UNOFFICIAL translation of the draft measures.

**\*General Hygiene Regulation for Food Production**

On May 24, 2013, the National Health and Family Planning Commission (NHFPC) released the General Hygiene Regulation for Food Production (GB 14881-2013), which will come into effect on June 1, 2014.

The standard stipulates the basic requirements and the management specifications for venue, equipment and personnel with regard to food production from raw material procurement to production, packaging, storage and transportation.

This standard applies to the production of all various kinds of foods; if special hygienic specification for a certain variety of food is necessary, the compilation of such specification shall be based on this standard.

China notified draft of the standard to the WTO on November 18, 2011 as G SPS N CHN 481.

**\*Good Manufacturing Practices for Specialized Medical Food Products**

On February 13, 2013, China notified the WTO the national food safety standard-Good Manufacturing Practices for Specialized Medical Food Products (G SPS N CHN 599). This standard is a good manufacturing practice which applies to the production enterprises of food for special medical purpose (including infant formula of special medical purpose).

**Registration Required for Foreign Food Product Exporters – Update – CH12057**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Registration%20Required%20for%20Foreign%20Food%20Product%20Exporters%20-%20e2%80%93%20Update%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%209-25-2012.pdf>

On October 1st, new registration requirements for exporters and importers of food products to China will go into effect. This report is intended to provide supplemental information to the original GAIN report published June 29, 2012 announcing this new Measure.

**Registration Required for Foreign Food Product Exporters -CH12040**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Registration%20Required%20for%20Foreign%20Food%20Product%20Exporters%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%206-29-2012.pdf>

Translated version: April 4, 2012

On April 4, 2012, AQSIQ published a Notice requiring the registration with its Inspection and Quarantine Bureau of exporters and importers of food products to China. For this purpose, AQSIQ developed an E-filing website, <http://ire.eciq.cn> (bilingual). The new regulations will come into force on October 1, 2012.

**Registration of Overseas Food Manufacturing Facilities –CH12020**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Registration%20of%20Overseas%20Food%20Manufacturing%20Facilities%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%206-27-2012.pdf>

AQSIQ, China's quarantine authority, published Administrative Measures for Registration of Overseas Manufacturers of Imported Food effective May 1, 2012 (AQSIQ Decree 145). A draft of Decree 145 was notified to the WTO on August 19, 2011 as SPS/ N/472.

AQSIQ is determining the registration requirements by industry and, at this time, meat and seafood production facilities are the only industries impacted by this Measure. US meat production facilities are exempt from registration and seafood registration requirements will be enforced after May 1, 2013. Dairy and wine are

potentially strong candidates as the next industries subject to registration requirements but no details for these industries have been announced. Until registration requirements are implemented for a particular industry, no additional registration requirements are required to import a manufactured food product to China.

#### New Certification Regulations on Domestic Organic Products - CH12025

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/New%20Certification%20Regulations%20on%20Domestic%20Organic%20Products\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_3-16-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/New%20Certification%20Regulations%20on%20Domestic%20Organic%20Products_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-16-2012.pdf)

China's Certification and Accreditation Administration (CNCA) released its new certification rules for domestic organic products. These rules became effective on March 1, 2012.

#### Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20on%20Import%20and%20Export%20Food%20Safety\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-14-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20on%20Import%20and%20Export%20Food%20Safety_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-14-2010.pdf)

Translated version on November 15, 2010

On November 15, 2010, China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ) notified the WTO of Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety as G/SPS/N/CHN/314. These measures apply to inspection, quarantine and safety supervision and management of foods for import and export.

Follow-up: On September 13, 2011, AQSIQ issued Decree 144 of the Administrative Measures on Import and Export Food Safety, which came into force on March 1, 2012.

#### Admin Measures for Qualification Criteria of Food Inspection Institutions – CH10041

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Admin%20Measures%20for%20Qualification%20Criteria%20of%20Food%20Inspection%20Insti\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_6-14-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Admin%20Measures%20for%20Qualification%20Criteria%20of%20Food%20Inspection%20Insti_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_6-14-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 31, 2010

The Legislative Affairs Office of the State Council published draft —Administrative Measures on Qualification Criteria of Food Inspection Institutions for domestic comments. Drafted by AQSIQ, the Measures specify the qualification criteria for food and food additive inspection institutions. The deadline for comments was June 10, 2010 and the regulation will come into force on October 1, 2010.

#### DRAFTED Food Safety Standards – CH10024

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Safety%20Standards\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-12-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Safety%20Standards_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-12-2010.pdf)

Translated version: May 5, 2010

China's State Council Legislative Affairs Office (SCLAO) published the —Administrative Measures for National Food Safety Standards on its website. The draft measures stipulate how a state standard on food safety should be formulated, addressing questions such as who can draft a standard and who approves a new standard. A Chinese version of this law is also available at: <http://www.chinalaw.gov.cn/article/czjgg/201004/20100400253210.shtml>

Follow-up: On October 20, 2010, MOH Decree 77 published the Administrative Measures for National Food Safety Standards. Full text can be found at: [http://www.gov.cn/flfg/2010-11/10/content\\_1742131.htm](http://www.gov.cn/flfg/2010-11/10/content_1742131.htm)

#### Food Inspection Accreditation – CH9135

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Inspection%20Accreditation\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-17-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Inspection%20Accreditation_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-17-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 18, 2009

China notified - Qualification Certification Requirements for Food Inspection and Testing Agencies to the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/123. The proposed date of adoption and entry into force was February 1, 2010. China's WTO notification describes the regulation as, "According to the Food Safety Law of the People's Republic of China,

this regulation specifies the requirements for the organization, inspection ability, quality control, staff, facilities and environment, apparatus and equipments, standard substances that should be met by food inspection and testing agencies.”

Follow-up: On March 4, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the Qualification Certification Requirements for Food Inspection and Testing Agencies. Full text can be found at:  
[http://www.gov.cn/gzdt/2010-03/17/content\\_1557721.htm](http://www.gov.cn/gzdt/2010-03/17/content_1557721.htm)

Rules for Food Inspection – CH9136

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Rules%20for%20Food%20Inspection Beijing China %20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-17-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Rules%20for%20Food%20Inspection%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-17-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 18, 2009

China notified —Specifications on Food Inspection and Testing to the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/124. Comments were due on January 17, 2010. The proposed date of adoption and entry into force was February 1, 2010. China’s WTO notification describes the regulation as, —According to the Food Safety Law of the People's Republic of China, this regulation specifies the working system and procedures for food inspection and testing agencies.

Follow-up: On March 4, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the Rules for Food Inspection. Full text can be found at:

[http://www.gov.cn/gzdt/2010-03/17/content\\_1557721.htm](http://www.gov.cn/gzdt/2010-03/17/content_1557721.htm)

Licensing of Imported Food without Domestic Standards - CH9076

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Licensing%20of%20Imported%20Food%20Without %20Domestic%20Standards Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-25-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Licensing%20of%20Imported%20Food%20Without%20Domestic%20Standards%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-25-2009.pdf)

Translated version: August 13, 2009

The Ministry of Health (MOH) notified the World Trade Organization of draft national standard - Rules on Administrative Licensing of Imported Food without National Food Safety Standards for public comment. This measure has the WTO reference number G/SPS/N/CHN/119. On the basis of the 2009 Food Safety Law, the rules apply to imported food that does not have a national food safety standard. This is the second draft of this measure that has been released. The first draft was released on May 6 and was reported on in GAIN CH9051. Upon review, this second draft contains enough significant changes in comparison with the draft published in CH9051.

Follow-up: On August 9, 2010, the Ministry of health released the Provisions on the Administration of Permits for Import Foods without Governing National Food Safety Standards. The measures came into effect on the date of its issuance.

Rules for New Food-Related Products – CH9077

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Rules%20for%20New%20Food-Related%20Products Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-25-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Rules%20for%20New%20Food-Related%20Products%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-25-2009.pdf)

Translated version: August 13, 2009

The Ministry of Health (MOH) notified the World Trade Organization of draft —Rules on Administrative Licensing of Food-related New Product Varieties for public comment. This measure has the WTO reference number G/SPS/N/CHN/120. On the basis of the 2009 Food Safety Law, this rule relates to additives, packaging, and other food related products that have previously not been registered for use in China. This is the second draft of this measure that has been released. The first draft was released on May 6 and was reported on in GAIN CH9051. Upon review, this second draft contains enough significant changes in comparison with the draft published in CH9051. The date of implementation for this measure was December 1, 2009.

Functional Food Regulation – CH9120

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Functional%20Food%20Regulation Beijing China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-17-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Functional%20Food%20Regulation%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-17-2009.pdf)

Translated version: May 31, 2009

China announced its draft Regulations on Supervision of Functional Foods. This measure primarily regulates foods that have a functional or health claim associated with their use. This measure was open for domestic

comment until July 19, 2009. This measure was published by the State Council Legislative Office (SCLO).

#### Draft Standard for Imported Food-CH9051

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146347829.pdf>

Translated version on May 6, 2009

The Ministry of Health published two draft regulations designed to implement certain aspects of the Food Safety Law related to imported products. These two regulations govern imported foods that do not have Chinese safety standards and the licensing of new food related products. Other draft implementing regulations of the new Food Safety Law have been published as GAIN Report CH9040.

#### Inspection of Grain and Oilseed-Methods for Determination of Test Weight-CH8097

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306448.pdf>

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5498 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds — Methods for Determination of Test Weight is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/403 and 402. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5498.

#### Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Sampling and Sample Reduction-CH8098

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306449.pdf>

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5491 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Sampling and Sample Reduction is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402 and 403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5491.

#### Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Identification of Color, Odor and Taste-CH8099

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200812/146306958.pdf>

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. National Standard is GB/T 5492 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Identification of Color, Odor and Taste is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5492.

#### Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Foreign Matter and Unsound Kernels-CH8100

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200812/146306960.pdf>

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. National Standard is GB/T 5494 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of

Foreign Matter and Unsound Kernels is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402 and 403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5494.

#### Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Varieties and Their Mixture-CH8101 <http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306452.pdf>

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5493 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Varieties and Their Mixture is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402 and 403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5493.

#### Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Moisture Content-CH8102 <http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200812/146306959.pdf>

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn" as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5497 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Moisture Content is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402 and 403. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5497.

#### Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Crude Protein-CH8103 <http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306454.pdf>

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. This standard specifies the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of soybeans. GB/T 5511 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Crude Protein is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5511.

#### Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Crude Fat-CH8104 <http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200811/146306455.pdf>

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. This standard specifies the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of soybeans. GB/T 5512 Inspection of Grain and Oilseeds - Methods for Determination of Crude Fat is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/402. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5512.

#### General Rules of Inspection Grain, Oilseeds and Vegetable Oils-CH8105 <http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200812/146306957.pdf>

Translated version in November 2008

On July 3, 2008, China notified the WTO of the National Standard GB 1353—2007 "National Standard for Corn"

as TBT/N/CHN/403 and National Standard GB-1532-2006 "National Standard for Soybeans" as TBT/N/CHN/402. These standards specify the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn and soybeans. GB/T 5490 General Rules of Inspection Grain, Oilseeds and Vegetable Oils is referenced in that standard and published here as a reference in reviewing TBT/N/CHN/403 and 402. This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of GB/T 5498.

Requirements for Importing Host Plants from Sudden Oak Death Occurring Countries (Draft for Comments)-CH8080

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200809/146295844.pdf>

WTO announcement- G/SPS/N/CHN/110

Translated version on August 1, 2008

AQSIQ announced the Phytosanitary Requirements for the Import of Host Plants of *Phytophthora ramorum*, Sudden Oak Death (SOD) from Regulated Areas for WTO members to comment before October 1, 2008. The proposed adoption and implementation date is October 15, 2008.

Decree on Trade of Genetic Resources-CH8083

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200809/146295873.pdf>

On August 20, 2008, the Government of China, approved new State Council Decree No. 533, a piece of legislation detailing the procedures for Chinese companies intending to import, export, or jointly research "animal and poultry genetic resources" (as defined within the legislation). This decree details the roles of the Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Service Administration at both the provincial and State Council level. It also lists procedures that companies or institutions should go through and punishments for non-compliance.

Bulk Agricultural Commodity Reporting System (for trial implementation) – CH8056

Translated version: June 25, 2008

On June 25, 2008, China's Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) published "The Administrative Measures of the Reporting and information Publication on the import of Bulk agriculture Commodities" (for trial implementation) and a related No.46 Announcement. According to MOFCOM, these measures will come into effect on August 1, 2008. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the MOFCOM measures and announcement. Based on a preliminary review of these measures the trade impact is expected to be limited.

Food Recall Regulation – CH7070

The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China published the "Regulation on the Administration of Food Recalls (Regulation 98)" on August 27, 2007. This regulation entered into force on the date of publication.

National Standards for Organic Products – CH5054

Translated version: July 6, 2005

This an UNOFFICIAL translation of the national standards for organic products issued by the Standardization Administration of China (SAC). It consists of four parts, namely production, processing, labeling and marketing, and management system. SAC and the General Administration on Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) jointly issued the National Standards for Organic Products early this year. These recommended standards, along with other regulations about organic product certification (CH5012 and CH5049) regulate the production, processing, labeling and marketing, and management of organic products in China. Imported organic products need to observe these regulations and standards that were put into force on April 1, 2005.

Follow-up: it is replaced by the recommended standard of "Organic Products" (GB/T 19630-2011).

#### Interim Administrative Measures for Health Food Registration – CH5050

Translated version: April 30, 2005

This is an UNOFFICIAL translation of Decree 19 the Interim Administrative Measures for Health Food Registration published by the State Food and Drug Administration (SFDA). These measures go into effect on July 1, 2005. These measures stipulate that SFDA and its subsidiaries are responsible for assessment and review of food safety, effectiveness, quality control, and content of labeling before a health food is registered.

#### Implementation Rules for Organic Product Certification – CH5049

Translated version: June 2, 2005

This is an UNOFFICIAL translation of the Implementation Rules for Organic Product Certification published by the Certification and Accreditation Administration of China (CNCA), which take immediate effect. These rules stipulate certification fee collection, procedures of approval, suspension, and cancellation of certification, requirements about organic labeling, and dispute settlement procedures. Certification bodies use these rules and national standards for organic products (GB/T 19630–2005) when certifying organic products being marketed in China. Imported organic products need to comply with the requirements of organic product certification and standard of China. In other words, imported organic food products should be certified by a Chinese certification body or an overseas certification body authorized by CNCA.

#### Administrative Measures for Metrological Supervision on Prepackaged Commodities – CH5002 WTO

Announcement: G/TBT/N/CHN/63

Translated version: December 13, 2004

This regulation provides legal metrological requirements for prepackaged commodities that are measured by weight, volume, length, area, and numeral with proposed adoption scheduled for March 2005. Bulk commodities such as wheat and soybeans are not covered by this regulation but regulated by contracts. Unpackaged foods in small quantities and gold/silver ornaments are governed by Administrative Measures for Metrological Supervision on Retail Commodities (see GAIN report CH4071).

#### AQSIQ Decree 66 Administrative Measures for Metrological Supervision on Retail Commodities – CH4071

Translated version: August 10, 2004

These Measures, with a scheduled implementation date of December 1, 2004, regulate unpackaged retail food commodities as well as gold/silver ornaments that are measured by weight and it is a restatement of an existing law published in 1993.

#### Bonded Trade Commodity Import Ban – CH4056

Translated version: October 29, 2004

The Ministry of Commerce, State Environmental Protection Administration, and the General Administration of Customs jointly issued 2004 Announcement Number 55. The report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of Announcement 55, an annually published update of items banned for processing trade, and the internet links to the appendix of items banned from processing trade; including certain poultry products, planting seeds, animal feeds, and ginseng.

#### Lifting of Quarantine Import Permit Requirement for Certain Products – CH4041

Translated version: August 31, 2004

AQSIQ 2004 Announcement 111 eliminated importers requirements to apply for a Quarantine Import Permit (QIP) for specified animal and plant commodities before contracts are signed and products are imported into China. The animal and plant products, however, are still subject to quarantine examination upon arrival in China. The report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the announcement along with the list of designated commodities no longer requiring a QIP.

#### Items on Handling Review and Approval of Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine – CH4020

Translated version: June 16, 2004

AQSIQ 2004 Announcement 73 “Items on Handling the Review and Approval of Entry Animal and Plant Quarantine” provides revised information to the Administrative Measures (CH2039) mentioned above. The announcement is scheduled for implementation from July 1, 2004. The information has not been reported to the WTO.

Regulation on Entry Animal Genetic Material Quarantine - CH3111

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/19 from June 13, 2003

Translated version: May 14, 2003

AQSIQ 2003 Decree No. 47, the *Regulation on Entering Animal Genetic Material Quarantine*, was adopted on April 3, 2003 and approved on May 14, 2003 for implementation from July 1, 2003.

Regulation on the Pest Risk Analysis of Plants and Plant Products for Port Entry - CH3015

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/20 from June 17, 2003

Translated version: December 31, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Decree No. 41, the *Provisions for the Administration of Risk Analysis on Entry Plant and Plant Products*, was adopted on December 19, 2002 and approved on December 31, 2002 for implementation from February 1, 2003.

Regulation on Import Risk Analysis for Animals and Animal Products - CH3014

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/18 from June 13, 2003

Translated version: December 31, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Decree No. 40, the *Provisions for the Administration of Risk Analysis on Entry Animals and Animal Products*, was adopted on October 18, 2002 and approved on December 31, 2002 for implementation from February 1, 2003.

Admin. Measures for Sampling Inspection on Import and Export Commodities - CH3013

Translated version: December 31, 2002

AQSIQ (2002) Decree No. 39, the *Administrative Measures for Sampling Inspection on Import and Export Commodities*, was adopted on December 19, 2002 and published on December 31, 2002 for implementation from February 1, 2003. These Measures apply to commodity sampling that is not mandated in other Administrative Measures or Laws.

Admin. Rules for Agency/Business Enterprise Completed Applications for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine - CH3021

Translated version: November 6, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Announcement Number 34, *The Administrative Rules on Agencies Applying for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine*, was published on the AQSIQ website on November 6, 2002 for enforcement from January 1, 2003. The "Rules" were published in Issue 17 of the China Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation Gazette on March 18, 2003, also. The Announcement provides guidelines and requirements for agencies/business enterprises that use agents for importing and exporting commodities.

Follow-up: on March 30, 2010, AQSIQ released Decree 128, Admin. Rules for Agency/ Business Enterprise Completed Applications for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine, which came into force on June 1, 2010. Full text of the Rules can be found at:

[http://www.aqsiq.gov.cn/zwgk/jlgg/zjl/2010/201210/t20121015\\_235125.htm](http://www.aqsiq.gov.cn/zwgk/jlgg/zjl/2010/201210/t20121015_235125.htm).

Admin. Rules for Agent Completed Applications for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine - CH3020

Translated version: November 6, 2002

AQSIQ 2002 Announcement No. 33, *Administrative Rules for Agent Completed Applications for Import and Export Inspection and Quarantine*, was published on the AQSIQ website on November 6, 2002 for enforcement from January 1, 2003. This report provides guidelines and requirements for individuals that intend to become importing and exporting agents.

## **Agricultural Biotech Product Rules, Regulations, and Measures**

### **\*A Collection of MOA Regulations on Ag GMO Approvals-CH 13030**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/A%20Collection%20of%20MOA%20Regulations%20on%20Ag%20GMO%20Approvals\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_7-15-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/A%20Collection%20of%20MOA%20Regulations%20on%20Ag%20GMO%20Approvals_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_7-15-2013.pdf)

On May 22, 2013, the Ministry of Agriculture released a notice containing seven regulations for review of agricultural GMO-related applications. These regulations clarify steps MOA will take in reviewing of agricultural GMO-related applications for entry of GMO materials, safety certificates, labeling, etc., and set time needed for each step. Together with the Working Rules of the Committee for Safety of Agricultural Genetically Modified Organisms issued a day later, these regulations for the first time put procedure of GMO-related application review work on paper, which is a signal that MOA is trying to standardize its approval work.

### **\*Working Rules of the Committee for Safety of Agricultural GMOs-CH 13031**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Working%20Rules%20of%20the%20Committee%20for%20Safety%20of%20Agricultural%20GMOs\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_8-2-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Working%20Rules%20of%20the%20Committee%20for%20Safety%20of%20Agricultural%20GMOs_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_8-2-2013.pdf)

On May 23, 2013, Department of Science, Technology and Education of the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA), China's biotechnology regulator, issued the "Working Rules of the Committee for Safety of Agricultural Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)". This is the first time MOA put the requirements on the Committee in writing. Post believes is a measure MOA takes to regulate its GMO evaluation and approval.

### **Updated List of Quarantine Harmful Bio-organisms - CH11051**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Updated%20List%20of%20Quarantine%20Harmful%20Bio-organisms%20\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_11-10-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Updated%20List%20of%20Quarantine%20Harmful%20Bio-organisms%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-10-2011.pdf)

This report is an UNOFFICIAL translation of China's Ministry of Agriculture's (MOA) updated list of Quarantine Harmful Bio-organisms by the People's Republic of China" as of June 20, 2011. The initial MOA Decree was published on May 29, 2007, and updated three times between 2009 and 2011 to add 4 species of quarantine harmful bio-organisms.

### **Revision of Plant Variety Protection Regulations – CH7088**

Translated version: October 10, 2007

On October 10, 2007, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published "The Implementation Rules for the Regulations on Protection of New Plant Varieties (Agriculture Part)". The new rules governing the application and review process for registration of new plant varieties falling under the responsibility of MOA will take effect on January 1, 2008. This report provides an UNOFFICIAL translation of these rules. The impact of these rules on trade remains unclear.

### **China Updates Plant Variety Testing Procedures – CH7078**

Translated version: August 23, 2007

China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) recently published the "Administrative Measures on Testing Guidelines for New Plant Varieties." These procedural guidelines revise the measures that govern the testing required for new plant variety registration applications in China. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of this MOA measure.

### **AQSIQ Decree 62 Administrative Measures of Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit GM Products – CH4017**

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/15 from July 25, 2002 and G/SPS/N/CHN/15/Add.1

Translated version: June 15, 2004

The decree was approved on September 5, 2001 but not signed until May 24, 2004. This is an UNOFFICIAL translation of the decree. The Decree requires importers to declare and label if goods destined to enter China

contain transgenic modification.

Ag. GMO Implementation Measures - CH2002

Translated version: January 7, 2002

WTO Announcements: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/137, G/SPS/N/CHN/P/138, G/SPS/N/CHN/P/139

This document from the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) contains three (3) measures: 1. Measures for Ag GMOs Safety Evaluation Administration. 2. Measures for Ag GMOs Imports. 3. Measures for Ag GMO Labeling. GMO measures will be implemented mainly by the Ministry of Agriculture. All measures will come into effect from March 20, 2002.

Ag. GMO Safety Administration Regulation - CH1056

Translated version: June 6, 2001

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/136

The scope of this regulation, by the State Council, specifies the management, production, distribution, and use of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in agriculture. The regulation requires Safety Certification and labeling for all types of domestic or imported GMOs. Text in the regulation is vague and does not provide direction for several procedural measures. The implementation measures are in CH2002. The Agriculture Administrative Department of the State Council has statutory authority over this regulation. This department is comprised from representatives from several of China's ministries.

## Section VII. Other Specific Standards:

**\*Suggested List of National Food Safety Standards for Food Products-CH 13056**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Suggested%20List%20of%20National%20Food%20Safety%20Standards%20for%20Food%20Products%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2010-28-2013.pdf>

On October 10, 2012, the Ministry of Health (now the National Health and Family Planning Commission, NHFPC) started reviewing existing standards on quality and safety of edible agricultural products, food hygiene, and food quality, as well as mandatory standards for food-related products. Expert teams reviewed standards in eight categories (food products, physical-chemical testing methods, micro-organism inspection and testing method, procedures and methods for toxicological assessment of food, special dietary foods, food additives, food related products, and good practice in production and operation).

NHFPC has completed review of standards. This report provides the unofficial translation of the suggested list of national food safety standards for **Food Products**.

**\*Suggested List of National Food Safety Standards for Special Dietary Foods-CH13057**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Suggested%20List%20of%20Food%20Safety%20Standards%20for%20Special%20Dietary%20Foods%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2010-28-2013.pdf>

On October 10, 2012, the Ministry of Health (now the National Health and Family Planning Commission, NHFPC) started reviewing existing standards on quality and safety of edible agricultural products, food hygiene, and food quality, as well as mandatory standards for food-related products. Expert teams were established to review standards in eight categories (food products, physical-chemical testing methods, micro-organism inspection and testing method, procedures and methods for toxicological assessment of food, special dietary foods, food additives, food related products, and good practice in production and operation).

NHFPC has completed review of the standards. This report provides the unofficial translation of the suggested list of national food safety standards for **Special Dietary Foods**.

**\*Suggested List of National Food Safety Standards for Food Related Products-CH13058**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Suggested%20List%20of%20Safety%20Standards%20for%20Food%20Related%20Products%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2010-28-2013.pdf>

On October 10, 2012, the Ministry of Healthy (now the National Health and Family Planning Commission, NHFPC) started reviewing existing standards on quality and safety of edible agricultural products, food hygiene, and food quality, as well as mandatory standards for food-related products. Eight expert teams reviewed standards in eight categories (food products, physical-chemical testing methods, micro-organism inspection and testing method, procedures and methods for toxicological assessment of food, special dietary foods, food additives, food related products, and good practice in production and operation).

NHFPC has completed review of standards. This report provides the unofficial translation of the suggested list of national food safety standards for **food-related product**.

**\*Suggested List of National Food Safety Standards for Good Practice in Production and Operation-CH13060**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Suggested%20List%20of%20Standards%20for%20Good%20Practice%20in%20Production%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2011-1-2013.pdf>

On October 10, 2012, the Ministry of Healthy (now the National Health and Family Planning Commission, NHFPC) started reviewing existing standards on quality and safety of edible agricultural products, food hygiene, and food quality, as well as mandatory standards for food-related products. Expert teams reviewed standards in eight categories (food products, physical-chemical testing methods, micro-organism inspection and testing method, procedures and methods for toxicological assessment of food, special dietary foods, food additives, food related products, and good practice in production and operation).

NHFPC has completed review of standards, and this report provides the unofficial translation of the suggested list of national food safety standards for Good Practice in Production and Operation.

**Cotton, Oilseeds, Tobacco, and Planting Seeds**

**\*Administrative Measures for Inspection of Imported Cotton - CH13003**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20for%20Inspection%20of%20Imported%20Cotton%20\(FINAL\)%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%202-5-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20for%20Inspection%20of%20Imported%20Cotton%20(FINAL)%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%202-5-2013.pdf)

Translated: February 5, 2013

On January 18, 2013, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of People's Republic of China (AQSIQ) published Decree No.151 on "Supervision and Administration Measures for Inspection of Import Cotton." The measures took effect on February 1, 2013. A draft version of the measures was published for comment on December 8, 2011 (CH11064), and was notified to the World Trade Organization (WTO) on July 23, 2012 as G/TBT/N/CHN/925. Preliminary comparison between the draft and final measures shows slight changes in Article 26.

**\*Final-Hygienic Standard for Edible Vegetable Oils-CH13002**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Final-Hygienic%20Standard%20for%20Edible%20Vegetable%20Oils%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%201-11-2013.pdf>

Translated: January 11, 2013

Due to recent enforcement activity by China's import authority, FAS Beijing is issuing an UNOFFICIAL translation of the FINAL National Standard GB2716-2005 Hygienic Standard for Edible Vegetable Oils which was implemented on October 1, 2005. The draft Hygienic Standard for Edible Vegetable Oils (GB2716) was notified to the WTO on February 13, 2004 (G/SPS/N/CHN/51) and published as GAIN CH4070. Preliminary analysis of the FINAL GB2716-2005 shows no significant change from the DRAFT.

**Draft National Standard for Cotton Baling –CH12068**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Draft%20National%20Standard%20for%20Cotton%20Baling%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2011-2-2012.pdf>

Translated version: October 15, 2012

On October 15, 2012, China National Standardization Technical Committee on Cotton Processing published draft

national standard "GB6975- xxxx Cotton Baling" soliciting public comments. Comments shall be submitted to the Committee no later than November 10, 2012.

#### Draft Standard for Cotton Seed Quality Grade - CH12067

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Draft%20Standard%20for%20Cotton%20Seed%20Quality%20Grade\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_11-1-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Draft%20Standard%20for%20Cotton%20Seed%20Quality%20Grade_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-1-2012.pdf)

On October 15, 2012, China's National Standardization Technical Committee on Cotton Processing published draft national standard, "GB/T xxxxx-xxxx Cotton Seed Quality Grade", soliciting public comments. Comments shall be submitted to the Committee no later than November 10, 2012. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the draft standard. Further communication with the Committee shows this standard is of voluntary nature and will not go through the WTO notification process. However, the US industry is encouraged to submit comments before the deadline.

#### Hygienic Standard for Oilseeds - CH12047

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Standard%20for%20Oilseeds\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-28-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Standard%20for%20Oilseeds_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-28-2012.pdf)

This is an unofficial translation of "GB 19641-2005 Hygienic Standard for Oilseeds". The Standard was issued on January 25th, 2005 and implemented on October 1st, 2005 with the interim period for 1 year. Products before Oct. 1st 2005 and in compliance with the requirements of corresponding standards were permitted to continue on the market until Sept 30th 2006. The Standard describes the hygienic indices, testing methods, and hygienic requirements in packaging, labeling, storage and transportation of oilseeds that are used for producing edible oils.

#### National Food Safety Standard on Roasted Seeds and Nuts –CH12049

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Roasted%20Seeds%20and%20Nuts\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_7-27-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Roasted%20Seeds%20and%20Nuts_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_7-27-2012.pdf)

On June 4, 2012, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Roasted Seeds and Nuts as SPS/N/CHN/523. This standard applies to raw and cooked nuts and seeds. This standard prescribes the terms, definitions, and technical requirements etc.

#### National Standard of Seed Potatoes (Draft for Approvals) - 12048

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Standard%20of%20Seed%20Potatoes%20\(Draft%20for%20Approvals\)%20\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_7-27-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Standard%20of%20Seed%20Potatoes%20(Draft%20for%20Approvals)%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_7-27-2012.pdf)

On July 18, 2012, China notified the WTO of National Standard of Seed Potatoes as G/TBT/N/CHN/920. The standard was drafted for regulating the production of seed potatoes, maintaining seed potato trade order, promoting supervision and administration, and protecting the benefits of farmers. The date for submission of final comments to China is September 16, 2012. The proposed date of adoption of the standard is 90 days after its notification to the WTO, and date of its entry into force is 6 months after the notification

#### Standard on Soybeans for Feedstuff - CH11052

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Standard%20on%20Soybeans%20for%20Feedstuff\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_11-17-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Standard%20on%20Soybeans%20for%20Feedstuff_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-17-2011.pdf)

This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of a National Standard of People's Republic of China, GB/T 20411-2006 of Soybeans for Feedstuffs. The standard was published on August 3, 2006 and was not notified to the World Trade Organization. Note that the standard specifies an impurities content of no more than 1.0 percent ( $\leq 1.0\%$ ) for soybeans for feedstuff. The standard has not been applied to soybean imports since its implementation.

#### Designated Seed Import Locations

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Designated%20Seed%20Import%20Locations\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_1-27-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Designated%20Seed%20Import%20Locations_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_1-27-2010.pdf)

Translated version: December 31, 2009

China's Administration for Quality, Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) issued the notice —List of designated entry ports for imported plant seeds and seedlings. This measure effectively limits the number of entry points into which U.S. companies can use for exporting their seeds and seedlings. Link in Chinese: [http://www.aqsiq.gov.cn/zwgk/jlgg/zjgg/2009/201001/t20100114\\_134970.htm](http://www.aqsiq.gov.cn/zwgk/jlgg/zjgg/2009/201001/t20100114_134970.htm)

#### Crop Seeds of Cole Vegetables – CH9125

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seeds%20of%20Cole%20Vegetables\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-15-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seeds%20of%20Cole%20Vegetables_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-15-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified "Crop Seeds of Cole Vegetables" to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/702. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes —This standard specifies the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for cabbage, kohlrabi, and cauliflower seed. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned cole categories' seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

#### Crop Seeds of Solanaceous Fruits – CH9126

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seeds%20of%20Solanaceous%20Fruits\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-15-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seeds%20of%20Solanaceous%20Fruits_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-15-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified "Crop Seed of Solanaceous Fruits" to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/701. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes that, —This standard specifies the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for aubergine, capsicum and tomato seed. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned cabbage seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

#### Crop Seeds of Leafy Vegetables – CH9127

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seeds%20of%20Leafy%20Vegetables\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-15-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seeds%20of%20Leafy%20Vegetables_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-15-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified "Crop Seeds of Leafy Vegetables" to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/703. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes —This standard specifies the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for celery, spinach and lettuce seed. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned leafy vegetables' seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

#### Crop Seeds of Chinese Cabbage – CH9128

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seed%20of%20Chinese%20Cabbage\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-15-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seed%20of%20Chinese%20Cabbage_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-15-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified "Crop Seed of Chinese Cabbage" to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/700. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes this as a standard that —specifies the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for

heading Chinese cabbage and non-heading Chinese cabbage seeds. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned cabbage seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

#### Crop Seeds of Melon – CH9129

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seed%20of%20Melon\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-15-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seed%20of%20Melon_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-15-2009.pdf) Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified —Crop Seeds of Melon to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN699. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes this standard as specifying —the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for watermelon, sweet melon, wax gourd and cucumber seed. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned melon seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

#### Crop Seeds of Legumina – CH9130

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seeds%20of%20Legumina\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-15-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Crop%20Seeds%20of%20Legumina_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-15-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 19, 2009

China notified —Crop Seeds of Legumina to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN696. Comments were due on January 18, 2010. The proposed date of adoption is 90 days after circulation by the WTO secretariat and date of entry into force is 6 months after adoption. China's WTO notification describes this standard as specifying —the quality requirements, test methods and inspection rules for soybean, horsebean, red bean, and mung bean seeds. It applies to the production and sale of above mentioned legumes' seeds in China, which covering coating seeds and non-coating seeds.

#### Technical Regulations for Cotton Processing-CH9044

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Technical%20Regulations%20for%20Cotton%20Processing\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-13-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Technical%20Regulations%20for%20Cotton%20Processing_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-13-2009.pdf)

Translated version on December 31, 2008

China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) and Standardization Administration of China (SAC) published National Standard GB/T 22335-2008 on Technical Regulations for Cotton Processing. The standard, effective May 1, 2009, applies to domestic cotton purchases and processing and stipulates the technical regulations for cotton processing.

#### Basic Technical Condition of Cotton Processing Enterprise-CH9045

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Basic%20Technical%20Condition%20of%20Cotton%20Processing%20Enterprise\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-15-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Basic%20Technical%20Condition%20of%20Cotton%20Processing%20Enterprise_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-15-2009.pdf)

Translated version on December 31, 2008

China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) and Standardization Administration of China (SAC) published National Standard GB/T 18353-2008 on Basic Technical Condition of Cotton Processing Enterprise. The standard, effective May 1, 2009, applies to domestic cotton processing enterprise and stipulates the technical condition of cotton processing enterprise.

#### Registration of Overseas Cotton Exporters-CH8075

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200809/146295725.pdf>

WTO announcement- G/TBT/N/CHN/336

Translated version on August 5, 2008

AQSIQ published the Administration Measures for the Registration of Overseas Cotton Exporters. The Announcement requested all overseas cotton exporters supplying cotton to mainland China file an application for

registration beginning September 15, 2008. The application should be accompanied with relevant information about the exporters. According to AQSIQ, the registration is aimed at strengthening management and supervision of the inspection and quarantine of imported cotton, and to prevent fraudulent trade practices.

#### National Standard for Soybean-CH8066

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200808/146295479.pdf>

WTO announcement - TBT/N/CHN/402

Translated version on July 3, 2008

This standard specifies the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of soybeans. This standard also applies to testing, evaluation and identification of the quality of commercial soybeans. An implementation date has not been specified.

#### Rules for Cotton Quarantine (Draft) – CH6076

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/98 from August 17, 2006

The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of China (AQSIQ) notified this standard (Preliminary Draft for Approval). The proposed date of adoption is ninety days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat, and the proposed date of entry into force is six months after adoption. According to AQSIQ, the purpose of this standard is to protect plant, animal and human health from diseases and pest damage.

#### Administrative Measures for Grass Seeds – CH6008

This is UNOFFICIAL translation of China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) Decree No. 56 of 2006 that expanded coverage, detailed rules and procedures for production, marketing and trade of grass seeds. Import policies on grass seeds remain unchanged.

#### Planting Seeds New Plant Variety Protection List Updated – CH5048

Translated version: May 20, 2005

China's Ministry of Agriculture revised the list of plants eligible for new plant variety protection (new PVP) by including 21 additional varieties. The list updates information contained in CH4059. This revised list now includes cotton in the plants eligible for new PVP and represents a breakthrough for several concerned industry sources. The report includes: MOA (2005) No. 51, SFA (2004) No. 12, MOA (2003) No. 32, SFA (2002) No. 6, MOA (2002) No. 3, SFA (2001) No. 46, MOA (2000) No. 27, SFA (2000) No. 5, MOA (1999) No. 14, and SFA (1999) No. 2.

#### Hygienic Standard for Rapeseed Oil – CH5003

WTO Announcement #1: G/TBT/N/CHN/43 from November 13, 2003

WTO Announcement #2: G/SPS/N/CHN/43 from December 23, 2003

Translated version: August 13, 2004

This Standard, GB1536-2004, establishes inspection rules and standards for crude, solvent extracted, and finished product rapeseed oil. The regulation is scheduled to enter into force on February 1, 2005.

#### New Plant Variety Genera and Species Eligibility List – CH4059

Translated version: October 14, 2004

This report contains UNOFFICIAL translations of all plant seed and seedling genera eligible for new plant variety protection application with the State Forestry Administration (SFA) and the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA). The report includes: SFA (2004) No. 12, MOA (2003) No. 32, SFA (2002) No. 6, MOA (2002) No. 3, MOA (2001) No. 46, MOA (2000) No. 27, SFA (2000) No. 5, MOA (1999) No. 14, and SFA (1999) No. 2.

#### Hygienic Standard for Peanut Oil – CH4025

WTO Announcement G/TBT/N/CHN/24 from July 28, 2003

Translated version: May 1, 2004

This Standard, GB1534-2003, establishes inspection rules and standards for crude, pressed, and solvent extracted peanut oils. Indications are the Standard is reasonably consistent with Codex Standards, yet is more detailed.

Hygienic Standard for Soybean Oil – CH4022

WTO Announcement G/TBT/N/CHN/25 from July 28, 2003

Translated version: May 1, 2004

This Standard, GB1535-2003, establishes inspection rules and standards for crude, pressed, and solvent extracted soybean oils. Indications are the Standard is reasonably consistent with Codex Standard, yet is more detailed.

Ministry of Agriculture 2003 Decree No. 30 on Crop Germplasm Resources – CH3122

Translated version: July 8, 2003

The Decree provides management guidelines for the registration, preservation, use, exchange, and trade of seed germplasm in accordance with the Seed Law and Seed Law Implementation Regulations and is scheduled for implementation from October 1, 2003. This Decree annuls the Interim Measures cited in CH4060.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Edible Hydrogenated Oil - CH3099

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB17402, to solicit comments on the hygienic requirements for hydrogenated oils.

Follow-up: MOH released the Hygienic Standard for Edible Hydrogenated Oil on September 24, 2003, which came into force on May 1, 2004.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Edible Soybean Meal - CH3098

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB14932.1, to solicit comments.

Interim Measures for Crop Seed (Seedling) Trade - 4060

Translated version: March 28, 1997

This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of Ministry of Agriculture 1997 Notice No. 14. The Notice provides certain guidelines for seed and seedling trade guidelines, management procedures and other administrative steps that importers and exporters must undertake to trade in planting seeds.

China's Accession to 1978 UPOV Convention – CH7023

Translated version: March 20, 1997

This UNOFFICIAL translation of State Council 1997 Decree 213, joining China to the 1978 version of the Convention to Union of the Protection of New Varieties of Plants, establishes a system of PVP application and Breeders' Rights. The State Council designated both the Ministry of Agriculture and the State Forestry Administration as the responsible parties for creating a plant species eligibility list along with a system of receiving and reviewing applications.

## **Dairy, Livestock, and Poultry**

Regulation on Inspection and Quarantine of Entry-Exit Meat Products - CH11005

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Regulation%20on%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20of%20Entry-Exit%20Meat%20Products\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_2-16-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Regulation%20on%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20of%20Entry-Exit%20Meat%20Products_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-16-2011.pdf)

On January 20, 2011, China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published on its web site the Administrative Measures for Inspection, Quarantine and Supervision of Inbound and Outbound Meat Products. The Measures, which replaces the Administrative Measures for Inspection and Quarantine of inbound and outbound Meat Products issued on October 1, 2002, will take effect on June 1, 2011.

#### Dairy Processing Aids – CH10020

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Dairy%20Processing%20Aids\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-4-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Dairy%20Processing%20Aids_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-4-2010.pdf)

Translated version: April 20, 2010

China's Ministry of Health published a list of certain authorized processing aids for distribution to local health and food regulatory authorities. This list is primarily made up of lactic acid bacterium. This announcement presents an updated list.

#### National Dairy Standard - Pasteurized Milk – CH9093

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Pasteurized%20Milk\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_11-30-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Pasteurized%20Milk_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-30-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Pasteurized Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/126. This standard relates to the quality specifications of pasteurized milk. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of pasteurized fresh milk. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for pasteurized fresh milk.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Pasteurized Milk (GB19645-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard - Sterilized – CH9094

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Sterilized%20Milk\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_11-30-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Sterilized%20Milk_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-30-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Sterilized Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/127. This standard relates to the quality specifications of sterilized milk. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of sterilized milk. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for sterilized milk.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Sterilized Milk (GB 25190-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard - Fermented Milk – CH9095

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Fermented%20Milk\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-1-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Fermented%20Milk_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-1-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Fermented Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/129. This standard relates to the quality specifications of fermented milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of fermented milk. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food

additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for fermented milk.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Fermented Milk (GB 25191-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard - Evaporated Milk – CH9096

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Evaporated%20Milk\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-1-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Evaporated%20Milk_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-1-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Evaporated Milk and Sweetened and Condensed Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/130. This standard relates to the quality specifications of this type of milk product. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of evaporated milk, sweetened condensed milk and formulated condensed milk. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for evaporated milk and sweetened condensed milk.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Evaporated Milk and Sweetened Condensed milk (GB 13102-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard - Milk Powder – CH9097

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Milk%20Powder\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-1-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Milk%20Powder_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-1-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Milk Powder" as SPS/N/CHN/131. This standard relates to the quality specifications of milk powder. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of milk powders. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for milk powders for direct consumption or further processing.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Milk Powder (GB 19644-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard – Cream – CH9097

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Cream\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-1-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Cream_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-1-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Cream, Butter and Anhydrous Milk Fat" as SPS/N/CHN/133. This standard relates to the quality specifications of these milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of cream, butter and anhydrous milk fat. This standard does not apply to margarine. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage,

transportation and testing method for cream, butter and anhydrous milk fat.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Cream, Butter, and Anhydrous Milkfat (GB 19646-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard – Cheese - CH9099

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Cheese\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-1-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Cheese_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-1-2009.pdf)

Republic of China for Cheese" as SPS/N/CHN/134. This standard relates to the quality specifications of cheese. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. The proposed date of entry into force has not been specified. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of cheese. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for cheese.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Cheese (GB 5420-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard – Whey Powders – CH9100

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Whey%20Powders\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-1-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Whey%20Powders_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-1-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Whey Powder" as SPS/N/CHN/132. This standard relates to the quality specifications of whey powder. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of products like de-mineralized whey powder, non-de-mineralized whey powder, whey protein concentrate (powder), whey protein isolate (powder), etc. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as requirements of the production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for edible whey powders.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Whey Powders and Whey Protein Powders (GB 11674-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard – Processed Cheese – CH9101

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Processed%20Cheese\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-1-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Processed%20Cheese_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-1-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Processed Cheese" as SPS/N/CHN/135. This standard relates to the quality specifications of processed cheese. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of process(ed) cheese. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, food additives and nutrition fortifier, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for process(ed) cheese.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Processed Cheese (GB 25192-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard – Lactose – CH9102

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Lactose\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-1-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Lactose_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-1-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009 China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Lactose" as SPS/N/CHN/136. This standard relates to the quality specifications of lactose. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. The proposed date of entry into force has not been specified. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of lactose crystallized from whey and produced by drying, grinding etc. It specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, as well as the requirements of production process, packaging, labeling, storage, transportation and testing method for lactose.

Update: On December 21, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Lactose (GB 25595-2010), which became effective on February 21, 2010.

#### National Dairy Standard – Infant Formula – CH9103

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Infant%20Formulas\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-1-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Infant%20Formulas_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-1-2009.pdf)

China notified the WTO of Standard for Infant Formulas as SPS/N/CHN/137. This standard relates to the quality specifications of these milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of infant formulas. It specifies the requirements, testing methods, labeling and packaging for formulas intended for infants.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Infant Formula (GB 10765-2010), which became effective on April 1, 2011.

#### National Dairy Standard – Follow-up Formulas – CH9104

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Follow-up%20Formulas\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-2-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Follow-up%20Formulas_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Follow-up Formulas" as SPS/N/CHN/138. This standard relates to the quality specifications of these milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, monitoring of management of follow-up formulas, and specifies requirements, testing methods, labeling, packaging and storage for follow-up formulas intended for infants and young children aged from six months to 36 months.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Older Infants and Young Children Formula (GB 10767-2010), which became effective on April 1, 2011.

#### National Dairy Standard – Formulas for Special Medical Purposes – CH9105

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Formulas%20for%20Special%20Medical%20Purposes%20\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-2-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Formulas%20for%20Special%20Medical%20Purposes%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for

Formulas for Special Medical Purposes Intended for Infants" as SPS/N/CHN/139. This standard relates to the quality specifications of milk. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of formulas for special medical purposes intended for infants. It specifies the requirements, testing methods, labeling and packaging for formulas for special medical purposes intended for infants aged from zero to 12 months.

Update: On December 1, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the General Standard of Formulas for Special Medical Purposes Intends for Infants (GB 25596-2010), which became effective on January 1, 2012.

National Dairy Standard – Canned Complementary Foods – CH9106

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Canned%20Complementary%20Foods\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-2-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Canned%20Complementary%20Foods_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Canned Complementary Foods for Infants and Young Children" as SPS/N/CHN/141. This standard relates to the quality specifications of these milk products. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, this standard applies to the production, circulation, supervision and management of canned complementary foods for infant and young children. It specifies the product categories, technical requirements, testing methods, labeling, packaging, transportation and storage requirements for canned food intended for infants and young children older than six months.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the General Standard of Canned Complementary Foods for Infant and Young Children (GB 10770-2010), which became effective on April 1, 2011.

Canned Complementary Foods for Infant and Young Children

National Dairy Standard – GMP for Dairy – CH9107

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20GMP%20for%20Dairy\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-16-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20GMP%20for%20Dairy_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-16-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Good Manufacturing Practices for Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/142. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010. According to the WTO notification, —This standard applies to manufacturing enterprises which use milk (or goat milk) and the processed products as the main raw material to process various types of dairy products. It specifies the site selection of dairy production enterprises and the factory environment, plants and workshops, equipment, sanitary management, raw materials and packaging materials requirements, food safety control of production process, product testing, storage and transportation, records and documents management, product traceability and recall, training, management agencies, and personnel requirements for the dairy production enterprises.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Good Manufacturing Practice for Dairy Products (GB 12693-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Good Manufacturing Practices for Powder – CH9108

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Good%20Manufacturing%20Practices%20for%20Powder\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-2-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Good%20Manufacturing%20Practices%20for%20Powder_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009 China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Good Manufacturing Practices for Powdered Milk Formula for Infants and Young Children" as SPS/N/CHN/143. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Good Manufacturing Practices for Powdered Formula for Infants and Young Children (GB 23790-2010), which became effective on December 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Trans Fatty Acids – CH9109

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Trans%20Fatty%20Acids%20%20\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-2-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Trans%20Fatty%20Acids%20%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009 China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Trans Fatty Acids in Foods for Infants and Children" as SPS/N/CHN/150. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Determination of Fatty Acid in Foods for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk and Dairy Products (GB 5413.3-2010), which became effective on June 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – B6 – CH9110

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20B6\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-11-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20B6_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-11-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Vitamin B6 in Infant Foods and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/157. This standard relates to the quality specifications of milk. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of "Determination of Vitamin B6 in Foods for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk and Dairy Products" (GB 5413.13-2010), which became effective on June 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Vitamin B12 – CH9111

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Vitamin%20B12\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-2-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Vitamin%20B12_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-2-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Vitamin B12 in Foods for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/158. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of "Determination of Vitamin B12 in Foods for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk and Dairy Products" (GB 5413.14-2010), which became effective on June 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Niacin – CH9112

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Niacin%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2012-3-2009.pdf>

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Niacin and Niacinamide in Foods for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk, and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/159. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of "Determination of Niacin and Niacinamide in Foods for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk and Dairy Products" (GB 5413.15-2010), which became effective on June 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Folic Acid – CH9113

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Folic%20Acid%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2012-3-2009.pdf>

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Determination of Folic Acid in Foods for Products for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/160. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of "Determination of Folic Acid (Folate Activity) in Foods for Infants and Young Children, Raw Milk and Dairy Products" (GB 5413.16-2010), which became effective on June 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Aflatoxin - 9114

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Aflatoxin%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2012-3-2009.pdf>

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Determination of Aflatoxin M1 in Milk and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/176. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of "Determination of Aflatoxin M1 in Milk and Dairy Products" (GB 5009.37-2010), which became effective on June 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Lead – CH9115

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Lead%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2012-3-2009.pdf>

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Determination of Lead in Foods" as SPS/N/CHN/180. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

Update: On March 26, 2010, the Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of "Determination of Lead in Foods" (GB 5009.12-2010), which became effective on June 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Fluorine – CH9116

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Flourine\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-3-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Flourine_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-3-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Determination of Fluorine in Foods" as SPS/N/CHN/181. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Arsenic – CH9117

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Arsenic\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-4-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Arsenic_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-4-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for Arsenic in Foods" as SPS/N/CHN/182. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Benzoic Acid – CH9118

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Benzoic%20Acid%20\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-4-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Benzoic%20Acid%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-4-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Determination of Benzoic Acid and Sorbic Acid in Milk and Dairy Products" as SPS/N/CHN/186. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

National Dairy Standard – Antibiotics – CH9119

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Antibiotics\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-4-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Dairy%20Standard%20-%20Antibiotics_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-4-2009.pdf)

Translated version: November 20, 2009

China notified the WTO of "National Food Safety Standard of the People's Republic of China for the Microbiological Examination of Foods: Examination of Residues of Antibiotics in Milk" as SPS/N/CHN/195. The date for submission of final comments to the WTO was January 1, 2010.

H1N1 Trade Related Measures-CH9054

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146357835.pdf>

WTO announcements- G/SPS/N/CHN/116 and G/SPS/N/CHN/117

Translated version on June 5, 2009

China notified the WTO of two notices related to trade in swine and pork products. The two measures forbid imports of swine and swine products from Mexico and U.S. from areas where cases of A/H1N1 occurred. The measures become effective on the very date of announcements, separately April 26, 2009 and April 29, 2009.

Hygienic Standard for Fresh (Frozen) Meat of Livestock – CH6005

China's Ministry of Health published Standard GB2707-2005 to replace the previous pork and beef/mutton standards published in 1994 (GB2727-1994 and GB2708-1994). This standard specifies the hygienic indexes and testing methods for fresh (frozen) meat of livestock, as well as hygienic requirements for production/processing, labeling, packaging, transportation, and storage of these types of products.

Poultry National Standard – CH6001

SAC and AQSIQ issued National Standard on Fresh and Frozen Poultry Products (GB16869-2005). It replaces

the previous poultry standard (GB16869-2000) (CH1060) and is the final version of the draft standard on poultry products (CH3052). This standard details the technical requirements for testing, hygiene, labeling, packaging, and storage requirements for fresh and frozen poultry products.

#### China Lifts Ban on Certain U.S. Live Poultry and Poultry Products – CH4057

Translated version: November 8, 2004

Related to WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/72

MOA and AQSIQ jointly issued Announcement No. 422 lifting the ban on U.S. live poultry and poultry products set in place by joint announcement numbers 344 (notified to the WTO in SPS/72), 241, 253, and 269. A ban on poultry products from Connecticut and Rhode Island remains in place as notified in joint announcements No. 257 and 280.

China notified AQSIQ Announcement 2004 No. 49 to the WTO on August 6, 2004 with implementation scheduled from November 2004. Sources indicate an extension, however, was granted. The Announcement requires meat products transiting Hong Kong for China to be pre-inspected in Hong Kong by the China Inspection Company along with other requirements for inner package labeling. The report also contains several appendices that indicate the status of countries eligible to ship meat to China, along with several forms and manuals.

#### China Bans U.S. Poultry and Poultry Products – CH4006

Translated version: February 10, 2004

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/72

MOA and AQSIQ jointly issued Announcement No. 344 banning imports of all U.S. poultry and poultry products following the detection of low pathogenic H7 avian influenza in the United States. The ban on products in this notification is now lifted for all U.S. poultry except from Connecticut and Rhode Island (see below).

#### DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cream and Sparse Cream (Butter) - CH3115

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/76 from April 21, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

Follow-up: On March 26, 2010, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard – Cream, Butter and Anhydrous Milkfat (GB 19646-1010), which came into force on December 1, 2010. Full text of the Standard in Chinese can be found at:

<http://www.moh.gov.cn/publicfiles/business/htmlfiles/mohwsjdj/s7891/201004/46935.htm>

#### DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Egg Products - CH3097

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFTED Standard, GB2749, to solicit comments.

#### DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Edible Animal Fats - CH3096

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/78 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10146, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

#### DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Canned Meat Products - CH3095

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/61 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB13100, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Fresh and Frozen Meat of Livestock - CH3086

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/46 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2707, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cured Meat Products - CH3083

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/53 from February 13, 2004

GAIN report translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2730, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cooked Meat Products - CH3082

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/70 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2726, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cooked and Dried Meat Products - CH3078

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/58 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2729, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Milk Beverages - CH3067

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB11673, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cheese - CH3066

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Whey Powder - CH3065

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/77 from April 21, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB11674, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Lactobacillus Beverages - CH3064

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB16321, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Evaporated and Sweetened Condensed Milk - CH3063

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/48 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Fresh and Frozen Poultry Product Standard - CH3052

WTO Announcement: G/TBT/N/CHN/6 from August 9, 2002

Translated version: April 1, 2002

This DRAFT National Standard (GB16869-2002), announced to the WTO, is not yet implemented and the previous version (above) remains in force. The Ministry of Health, which has statutory responsibility for this Standard, published the Standard on April 1, 2002. Amendments to the WTO announcement indicate the Standard was to enter into force on April 1, 2003, however reports indicate the previous version remains in force.

Fresh and Frozen Demi-Carcass Pork Standard - CH2019

Translated version: July 20, 2001

This Standard (GB9959.1-2001) defines terminology for fresh and frozen demi-carcass pork and stipulates the technical requirements for grading pork and inspection methodology, inspection rules, labeling, packaging, storage and distribution.

Fresh and Frozen Pork Muscle Cuts Standard - CH2018

Translated version: July 20, 2001

This Standard (GB9959.2-2001) defines terminology for fresh and frozen pork cuts and stipulates the technical requirements for inspection methodology, inspection rules, labeling, packaging, storage and distribution.

Regulation on Animal Origin Feed Products - CH2035

Translated version: March 1, 2001

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/69

AQSIQ and the Ministry of Agriculture issued Joint Announcement Number 144 on March 1, 2001. This announcement prohibits imports of animal origin feed products from countries or areas known to have BSE or Scrapie. In addition, this announcement requires certain language to be attached to the exporting country sanitary certificate.

Regulation on Animal Origin Feed Products - CH3093

Translated version: March 1, 2001

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/72

AQSIQ and the Ministry of Agriculture issued Joint Announcement Number 143 on March 1, 2001. This Announcement regulates the importation of animal and animal products from BSE affected countries.

Fresh and Frozen Poultry Product Standard – CH1060

Translated version: December 29, 2000

This Standard (GB16869-2000), implemented on June 1, 2001, details the technical requirements for testing, hygiene, labeling, packaging, and storage requirements for fresh and frozen poultry products.

Fresh and Frozen Beef Cuts Standard - CH2020

Translated version: March 2, 1998

This Standard (GB/T17238-1998) defines terminology for the classification of fresh and frozen beef cuts. In addition, the standard provides the technical requirements, processing requirements, inspection methodology, inspection rules, grading requirements for beef cuts, and the labeling, packaging, storage and distribution requirements for fresh and frozen beef cuts.

## **Fisheries and Forestry Products**

AQSIQ Notice No 286 on Import and Export of Aquatic Product – CH 11045

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/AQSIQ%20Notice%20No%20286%20on%20Import%20and%20Export%20of%20Aquatic%20Product%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%2010-11-2011.pdf>

On May 25, 2011, China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published on its web site the Notice on the Implementation of Administrative Measures on Inspection and Quarantine on Entry and Exit Aquatic Products (Guozhijian-2011 No.286). The Administrative Measures of Inspection, Quarantine, and Supervision on Entry and Exit Aquatic Products (hereinafter referred to as the Measures) which took effect on June 1, 2011, was notified to the WTO on April 20, 2010 as G/SPS/N/CHN/205. The Measures establish the requirements of inspection, quarantine and supervision for imported and exported aquatic products. While the Notice elaborated some detailed requirements on implementation of the Measures including "Requirements for Inspection and Quarantine on Cold Storage of Imported Aquatic Products" and "Basic Requirements for the Packaging of Imported Aquatic Products".

Rules of Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit Aquatic Products – CH11006

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Rules%20of%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20on%20Entry-Exit%20Aquatic%20Products%20Beijing%20China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%202-24-2011.pdf>

On January 20, 2011, China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published on its web site the Administrative Measures of Inspection, Quarantine, and Supervision on Entry and Exit Aquatic Products (Final). The Measures, which replace the Administrative Measures on Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit Aquatic Products issued on November 6, 2002, will take effect June 1, 2011.

Live Seafood Import Certificate-CH9050

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146347825.pdf>

Translated version on December 11, 2008

China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) published on its website the "Explanations on Amendments to Rules of Inspection and Quarantine of Entering Edible Aquatic Species". This explanation amends AQSIQ Decree No.44 and requests exporting countries to add specific inspection and quarantine items in the hygiene certificate.

On December 11, 2008, AQSIQ published on its website the "Explanations on Amendments to Rules of Inspection and Quarantine on Entering Edible Aquatic Species".

([http://dzwjyjgs.aqsiq.gov.cn/zxjyjq/200812/t20081211\\_100208.html](http://dzwjyjgs.aqsiq.gov.cn/zxjyjq/200812/t20081211_100208.html)). The AQSIQ amendments request the exporting country to add detailed inspection and quarantine information to the export health certificate. As of the date of this report, the amendments have not been notified to the WTO.

Forest Management – CH8003

Translated version: January 16, 2008

In September 2007, the State Forestry Administration of the People's Republic of China published a new forestry standard that applies to forestry certification and forest management practices. This standard details forest management practices, performance measurements, and auditing and assessment criteria relating to certification of sustainably produced forestry products. This report contains an OFFICIAL TRANSLATION provided by the Chinese Government.

Forest Certification, Chain of Custody – CH8002

Translated version: January 16, 2008

In September 2007, the State Forestry Administration of the People's Republic of China published a new forestry standard that applies to forestry certification and chain of custody (CoC) certification. This standard details the management system put in place to ensure CoC certification for Chinese forestry products. This standard can be endorsed and utilized by any company that seeks CoC certification for the purposes of declaring and/or verifying the origin of the raw materials included in the production of forest products. This report contains an OFFICIAL TRANSLATION provided by the Chinese Government.

Notice on Imported Aquatic Product Quarantine Certificate - CH3007

Translated version: December 23, 2002

AQSIQ (2002) Notice No. 888 delays implementation of AQSIQ (2002) Announcement 31 (CH2061) until June 30, 2003. This report also includes an UNOFFICIAL translation of the certificate that is supposed to accompany all aquatic product imports by June 30, 2003.

Admin. Measures for Import and Export Aquatic Products Inspection and Quarantine - CH2061

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/22 from August 28, 2003

Translated version: November 6, 2002

AQSIQ issued (2002) Announcement 31 on November 6, 2002 for implementation from December 2002

(REVISED BY: CH3007, below). The Measures regulate the inspection and quarantine of aquatic products for import and export (including for import and re-export). The Measures also contain 3 appendices that relevant to storage facilities for imported aquatic products, inspection certificates of imported aquatic products, and the packaging of imported aquatic products.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Marine Algae and Algae Products - CH3051

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/47 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Salt and Liquor Saturated Aquatic Products of Animal Origin - CH3050

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/66 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10136, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Salted Fish - CH3049

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/57 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10138, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Dried Aquatic Products of Animal Origin - CH3048

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/56 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10144, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Fresh and Frozen Seafood Products of Animal Origin - CH3047

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/54 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2733, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Minced Aquatic Products - CH3046

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/67 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10132, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Flavoring from Aquatic Products - CH3045

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/55 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB10133, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Canned Fish - CH3044

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/68 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB14939, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Maximum Levels of Polychlorobiphenyls in Seafood - CH3040

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/23 from October 24, 2003

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB9674, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

Quarantine Requirements for Logs - CH1062

Translated version: February 6, 2001

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/122

AQSIQ, SFA, and MOFCOM joint circular number 2 requires pest-free phytosanitary certification and treatment on all log imports with or without bark. The State Administration for Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ) has statutory authority over the import and export of logs.

Fisheries Law - CH1053

Translated version: October 31, 2000

The scope of this Law includes improving the management of China's fishery resources, development of the aquaculture and fishing industry, and enforcement measures over China's fishing and aquaculture resources. Several articles address import and export of fry, fingerling, and the inspection of imported fishing vessels. The Administrative Department for Fisheries under the State Council has statutory authority over this law. In 2004, the National People's Congress amended article 16 of the Law to support fishery development and

require new aquatic species development registration.

#### Forestry Law - CH1054

Translated version: April 29, 1998

The Law governs the use of land and materials in forest areas for shelter forests, timber forests, economic forests, firewood forests, and forests for special use. The Law also provides for forest management and administration, forest protection, tree planting and afforestation, and measures for sanctions. The State Forestry Administration under the State Council has statutory authority over this law.

### **Grain and Feed**

#### Feed Ingredient Catalogue (Final) – CH12079

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20\(Final\)\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_12-17-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Feed%20Ingredient%20Catalogue%20(Final)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_12-17-2012.pdf)

Translated version: June 1, 2012

On June 1, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published Decree No.1773, which is the final version of the Feed Ingredient Catalogue. This Feed Catalogue lists 87 Single Feed Ingredients that need to have a production license or import registration certificate by January 1, 2013. Both the draft Feed Ingredient Catalogue, published on March 7, 2012 (GAIN CH12029), and Decree No. 1773 were not notified to the World Trade Organization.

#### National Food Safety Standard for Grain –CH12051

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20for%20Grain\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_7-27-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20for%20Grain_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_7-27-2012.pdf)

On June 4, 2012, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Grain as SPS/N/CHN/525. This standard applies to raw grains and grain products for human consumption, including cereals, beans, and potatoes. This standard does not apply to raw materials for the manufacture of edible oil. The date for submission of final comments to China is August 3, 2012. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

#### Requirements on the Application Materials for Import Feed and Feed Additives – CH12036

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/MOA%20Requirements%20on%20Application%20Materials%20for%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additiv%20\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-25-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/MOA%20Requirements%20on%20Application%20Materials%20for%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additiv%20_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-25-2012.pdf)

On May 2, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published a Circular on Soliciting Public Comments on the Application Materials for the Administrative License of Feed and Feed Additive, which included seven Annexes related to requirements for application materials for feed and feed additive. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the Circular and six Annexes from 2 to 7, which regulate domestic feed and feed additive production issues (Note: Annex 1- Requirements for Application Materials for Import of Feed and Feed Additive was sent as GAIN report CH12035 on May 21, 2012). MOA requested all comments to be submitted no later than June 2, 2012.

#### Requirements on the Application Materials for Import Feed and Feed Additives – CH12035

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Requirements%20on%20the%20Application%20Materials%20of%20the%20Import%20Feed%20and%20Fee\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-21-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Requirements%20on%20the%20Application%20Materials%20of%20the%20Import%20Feed%20and%20Fee_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-21-2012.pdf)

On May 2, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published a notice on soliciting comments on application materials for administrative approval for feed and feed additives. The notice is attached with requirements for application materials for seven different application situations. MOA said these requirements are based on the Administrative Measures for Feed and Feed Additives which was enforced on May 1, 2012. This

report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation for one of the seven applications-Requirements on the Application Materials for Import Feed and Feed Additives (other six application materials are relevant to domestic feed and feed additive manufacturing and are in the process of translation). MOA requested all comments on these requirements be submitted before June 2, 2012.

MOA Regulation for Feed Quality and Safety Management (Draft for Public Comments) – CH12030  
[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/MOA%20Draft%20Regulation%20for%20Feed%20Quality%20and%20Safety%20Management\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_4-9-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/MOA%20Draft%20Regulation%20for%20Feed%20Quality%20and%20Safety%20Management_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_4-9-2012.pdf)  
On March 27, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published "Regulation for Feed Quality Management (Draft for Public Comments)." This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of this draft Regulation. MOA requests all interested stakeholders to submit comments before or on April 28, 2012. Although not notified to the World Trade Organization, MOA has not indicated when the final regulation will be in effect.

Regulation on Feed and Feed Additive Import Registration (Amended Draft for Comments) -12024  
[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Regulation%20on%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additive%20Import%20Registration%20\(Amended%20Dr\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_3-9-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Regulation%20on%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additive%20Import%20Registration%20(Amended%20Dr_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-9-2012.pdf)  
On March 1, 2012, China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) published a Notice on "Regulation on Feed and Feed Additive Import Registration (Amended Draft for Comments)" for public comments, which are due on March 31, 2012. This draft regulation replaces the current "Regulation on Feed and Feed Additive Import Registration (enforced on August 17, 2000)," and provides further details on Decree 609 (CH12008). Please note the MOA Notice provides details on major amendments to the regulation.

Regulation on the Administration of Feed and Feed Additives (FINAL) - CH12008  
[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20on%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additives%20\(FINAL\)\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_2-8-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20on%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additives%20(FINAL)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_2-8-2012.pdf)  
On November 3, 2011, China's State Council published Decree No.609 on Regulation on the Administration of Feed and Feed Additives, which was approved by China's State Council on October 26, 2011, and will enter into force on May 1, 2012. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the Regulation. The Feed and Feed Additive Regulation (Draft) was published on February 20, 2010 (GAIN 10009). The Regulation (FINAL) was not notified to the World Trade Organization. Preliminary study of the Regulation (FINAL) shows no significant changes from the Draft. U.S. industry is recommended to pay attention to Chapter 2 for Verification and Registration for exports of feed and feed additives to China.

Administrative Measures of Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit Grain and Feed Products - CH11053  
[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20of%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20on%20Entry-Exit%20G\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_11-21-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Administrative%20Measures%20of%20Inspection%20and%20Quarantine%20on%20Entry-Exit%20G_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_11-21-2011.pdf)  
This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of China's Administrative Measures of Inspection and Quarantine on Entry-Exit Grain and Feed Products which was published and entered into force on March 1, 2002. China's General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ ) provided this documents to USDA as China's Laws and Regulations covering inspection and quarantine of soybean imports.

Feed Additive Catalog – CH10011  
[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Feed%20Additive%20Catalog\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_3-9-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Feed%20Additive%20Catalog_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-9-2010.pdf)  
Translated version: March 1, 2010  
China's Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) announced an open comment period for the solicitation of suggestions on the feed catalog. Due to increasing use of imported feed and feed additives, China's feed catalog and its feed registration process have been increasingly important to U.S. exporters. This announcement presents U.S.

companies with a unique opportunity to formally submit comments to the Government of China regarding suggestions for improving or updating this document.

#### Feed and Feed Additive Regulation (Draft) – CH10009

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additive%20Regulation%20\(Draft\)\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_3-2-2010.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additive%20Regulation%20(Draft)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-2-2010.pdf)

Translated version: February 20, 2010

The State Council's Legislative Office published a draft regulation on feed and feed additives for domestic comment. The deadline for comments was March 15.

#### Implementation Feed Quarantine Regulation 118 – CH9074

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Implementation%20Feed%20Quarantine%20Regulation%20118\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-25-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Implementation%20Feed%20Quarantine%20Regulation%20118_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-25-2009.pdf)

Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China (AQSIQ) on the Supervision and Management Measures for the Inspection and Quarantine of Import and Export Feed and Feed Additives. Decree 118 was published as GAIN report CH9071. These regulations went into force on September 1. The original Chinese version is at the following address:

[http://dzwjyjs.aqsiq.gov.cn/rdgz/200908/t20090828\\_125350.html](http://dzwjyjs.aqsiq.gov.cn/rdgz/200908/t20090828_125350.html)

#### Risk Levels for Trade of Animal Feed and Feed Additives – CH9075

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Risk%20Levels%20for%20Trade%20of%20Animal%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additives\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-28-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Risk%20Levels%20for%20Trade%20of%20Animal%20Feed%20and%20Feed%20Additives_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-28-2009.pdf)

Translated version: August 27, 2009

The Administration for Quality, Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) released Announcement 79 on —Issuing the Risk Levels and Inspection and Quarantine Supervision Methods for Import and Export Feed and Feed Additives|. The announcement specifies risk categories for certain types of animal feed and feed additives. The risk level determines the type of inspection procedure an import will receive upon importation into China. This measure is for immediate adoption. This Announcement was issued in accordance with AQSIQ Decree No. 118 (GAIN Report CH9071), —Supervision and Management Measures for the Inspection and Quarantine of Import and Export Feed and Feed Additives|. In addition to Announcement 79, the entry for the United States in the AQSIQ approved catalog of feed and feed additives for importation by countries/regions has been added to the end of this report as an addendum by FAS. The entry was taken from the catalog published on September 15, 2009.

#### New Feed Quarantine Regulation – AQSIQ Decree 118– CH9071

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/New%20Feed%20Quarantine%20Regulation\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-8-2009.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/New%20Feed%20Quarantine%20Regulation_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-8-2009.pdf)

Translated version: July 20, 2009

The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China (AQSIQ) published a final regulation related to quarantine inspection for feeds and feed additives. This regulation went into force on September 1, 2009. This regulation was originally sent to the WTO in July 2008 as SPS/109. The United States and other countries commented on the draft.

#### National Standard for Corn-CH9057

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200906/146357841.pdf>

Translated version on March 28, 2009

The Standardization Administration of China published the National Standard for Corn (GB1353-2009), which will come into force on September 1, 2009. This standard specifies the terms and definitions, classifications, quality and hygienic requirements, inspection rules and methods, and labeling, packaging, transportation and storage requirements for corn. The draft of this standard was notified to the WTO on July 3, 2008 as

TBT/N/CHN/403 (refer to CH8069). Compared with the draft, the final version contains minor changes. The most significant ones are about corn classification and the corn quality indicators.

National Standard for Corn-CH8069

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200808/146295531.pdf>

WTO announcement- TBT/N/CHN/403

Translated version on July 3, 2008

This standard specifies the relevant terms and definitions, classifications, quality requirements, test methods, and requirements for labeling, packaging, transportation and storage of corn. This standard also applies to testing, evaluation and identification of the quality of corn.

Revised National Standard for Wheat – CH8033

Translated version: May 1, 2008

On May 1, 2008, China's revised national standard for wheat entered into force. This standard was originally notified to the WTO as G/TBT/N/CHN/328 in December 2007. The revised standard brings Chinese quality standards closer to international standards though one labeling issue remains of concern. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION that should be used as reference only.

Hygienic Standards for Animal Feed – CH6084

Translated version: October 10, 2001

On October 10, 2001, the General Administration of Quality Supervision Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) of Peoples' Republic of China issued "Hygienic Standards For Feeds." These standards relate to allowable limits of certain compounds in animal feeds, the relevant testing methods, and additional regulations governing certain animal health standards. This standard applies to imported and domestic animal feeds.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Corn Sweetener - CH3114

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB15203, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Starch Products - CH3101

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2713, to solicit comments.

## **Horticultural and Tropical Products**

National Food Safety Standard on Honey (draft)

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Honey%20\(draft\)\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-19-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Honey%20(draft)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-19-2011.pdf)

On May 10, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Honey (draft) as G/SPS/N/CHN/362 to solicit comments until May 18, 2011. This report contains an unofficial translation of the draft standard.

Follow-up: On April 20, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard – Honey (GB14963-2011).

Update: On December 3, 2013, China notified the WTO the draft National Food Safety Standard of Honey as G/SPS/N/CHN/633. This standard applies to direct edible honey and does not apply to honey products.

Full text of the draft standard can be downloaded at:

[https://members.wto.org/crattachments/2013/SPS/CHN/13\\_4770\\_00\\_x.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crattachments/2013/SPS/CHN/13_4770_00_x.pdf)

China's 2008 Import Tariffs on Vegetable Products – CH8043

This report contains China's import tariffs levied on vegetable products, including grains, oilseeds, fruits, nuts, nursery products, and other vegetable products found in Section II, Chapters 6-14, of China's Harmonized Tariff Schedule. These tariffs were last revised on Dec 31, 2006. On May 28, 2008, China announced adjustments to import tariffs for six commodities covering 26 tariff lines. This report is an updated version of CH6036. For background information on the harmonized tariff system please look at CH6034. For a table that includes all of the recent adjustments please see CH8040.

AQSIQ 2004 Decree 68, the Administrative Measures of Inspection, Quarantine, and Supervision of Entry Fruit – CH5004

Translated version: December 24, 2004

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/80

AQSIQ notified these DRAFTED Measures on Entry Fruit. The Measures will replace AQSIQ (1999) No. 12, mentioned below, when fully adopted. This report contains an UNOFFICIAL translation of the Measures that include new requirements for product labeling along with additional certification for product re-exported to China via other port areas; including Hong Kong.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Sugars – CH4007

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/49 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: February 13, 2004

The DRAFTED Standard, GB13104, was published and notified to the WTO. A final approved version is not available, therefore all previous version cited in this report remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Preserved Fruit - CH3088

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB14884, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Maximum Levels of Patulin in Apple and Hawthorn Products - CH3039

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB14974, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Dried Fruit - CH3084

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/74 from April 21, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB16325, to solicit comments.

Fruit Entry Quarantine Regulation - CH1058

Translated version: December 9, 1999

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/P/113

This Regulation, AQSIQ (1999) No. 12 applies to imported fresh fruits and tomatoes, eggplants, and the genus Capsicum and relevant packaging. The Regulation details the quarantine application, quarantine inspection, and quarantine supervision procedures for importers of the above-mentioned items. The State Administration for Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine (CIQ) has now merged with the State Administration for Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ). Provincial level offices or port CIQ's have not completed this merger. AQSIQ and the port CIQ have statutory responsibility for this regulation.

## Processed Products

**\*National Food Safety Standard - Soy Sauce-CH13042**

<http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20Soy%20Sauce%20-%20Beijing%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of%209-25-2013.pdf>

On August 12, 2013, China notified to the WTO National Food Safety Standard: Soy Sauce as SPS/N/CHN/623. This standard applies to soy sauce. The date for submission of final comments to China is October 11, 2013. The

proposed date of entry is to be determined.

**\*National Food Safety Standard – Vinegar-CH13043**

On August 12, 2013, China notified to the WTO National Food Safety Standard: Vinegar as SPS/N/CHN/624. This standard prescribes the requirements for vinegar, including fermented vinegar and mixed vinegar. The date for submission of final comments to China is October 11. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

**\*National Food Safety Standard – Sugar-CH13044**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20%20Sugars\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-25-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20%20Sugars_Beijing_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-25-2013.pdf)

On August 12, 2013, China notified to the WTO National Food Safety Standard: Sugar as SPS/N/CHN/625. This standard prescribes the standard for sugars made from canes or beets, including raw sugar, white sugar, soft white sugar and brown sugar. The date for submission of final comments to China is October 11. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

**\*National Food Safety Standard - Fermented Sauce-CH13045**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20Fermented%20Sauce\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-25-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20Fermented%20Sauce_Beijing_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-25-2013.pdf)

On August 12, 2013, China notified to the WTO a National Food Safety Standard: Fermented Sauces as SPS/N/CHN/625. This standard prescribes the standard for fermented sauce, not including semi-solid composited dressings. The date for submission of final comments to China is October 11. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

**\*National Food Safety Standard - Preserved Vegetables-CH13046**

On August 12, China notified to the WTO National Food Safety Standard: Preserved Vegetables as SPS/N/CHN/627. This standard applies to preserved vegetables. The date for submission of final comments to China is October 11, 2013. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

**\*National Food Safety Standard-Aquatic Dressing-CH13047**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20Aquatic%20Dressing%20-%20Beijing\\_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_9-27-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20Aquatic%20Dressing%20-%20Beijing_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_9-27-2013.pdf)

On August 12, China notified to the WTO National Food Safety Standard: Aquatic Dressing as SPS/N/CHN/628. This standard prescribes the requirements for aquatic dressing. The date for submission of final comments to China is October 11, 2013. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

**\*Roasted Almond In-shell and Kernel-CH13016**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Roasted%20Almond%20In-shell%20and%20Kernel%20\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_3-29-2013.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Roasted%20Almond%20In-shell%20and%20Kernel%20_Beijing_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_3-29-2013.pdf)

On March 23, 2012, the Ministry of Commerce published a voluntary industry standard, SB/T 10673-2012), defining relevant terms and definitions for roasted almonds, in-shell and kernel, with an implementation date of April 1, 2013. This standard provides guidance on several requirements, such as classification, testing methods, inspection, labeling, packaging, transportation and storage. The original version can be found at <http://down.foodmate.net/standard/sort/6/35556>

**National Food Safety Standard-Distilled Spirits – CH12059**

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Distilled%20Spirits\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_10-17-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard-Distilled%20Spirits_Beijing_China%20-%20%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_10-17-2012.pdf)

On August 6, 2012, China's Ministry of Health published Public Notice [2012] No.14, National Food Safety Standard – Distilled Spirits and Integrated Alcoholic Beverages, scheduled for implementation February 1, 2013, with the exception of Article 4.2 to Article 4.4 ,which will come into effect August 1, 2013). The draft Standard was notified to the WTO as SPS CHN 377 on July 13, 2011.

#### National Food Safety Standard - Fermented Alcoholic Beverages –CH12058

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20Fermented%20Alcoholic%20Beverages\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_10-17-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20-%20Fermented%20Alcoholic%20Beverages_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_10-17-2012.pdf)

On August 6, 2012, China's Ministry of Health published Public Notice [2012] No.14, National Food Safety Standard – Fermented Alcoholic Beverages and their Integrated Alcoholic Beverages, scheduled for implementation February 1, 2013, with the exception of Article 4.2 to Article 4.5, which will come into effect on August 1, 2013. The draft Standard was notified to the WTO as SPS CHN 361 on May 10, 2011. Note: The final Standard differs from the draft standard in

#### National Food Safety Standard on Chocolate and Its Products -CH12050

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Chocolate%20and%20Its%20Products%20-%20-%20Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_7-27-2012.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/National%20Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Chocolate%20and%20Its%20Products%20-%20-%20Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_7-27-2012.pdf)

On June 4, 2012, China notified the WTO of National Food Safety Standard: Chocolate and Its Products as SPS/N/CHN/524. This standard applies to chocolate and chocolate products, as well as imitation of chocolate and chocolate products. This standard prescribes the terms, definitions, and technical requirements etc. The date for submission of final comments to China is August 3, 2012. The proposed date of entry is to be determined.

#### Food Safety Standard on Quick Frozen Flour and Rice Products (draft)

[http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Quick%20Frozen%20Flour%20and%20Rice%20Products%20\(draft\)\\_Beijing\\_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of\\_5-19-2011.pdf](http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Food%20Safety%20Standard%20on%20Quick%20Frozen%20Flour%20and%20Rice%20Products%20(draft)_Beijing_China%20-%20Peoples%20Republic%20of_5-19-2011.pdf)

On May 10, 2011, China's Ministry of Health notified to the WTO the National Food Safety Standard on Quick Frozen Flour and Rice Products (draft) as G/SPS/N/CHN/363 to solicit comments until May 18, 2011. Follow-up: on November 21, 2011, Ministry of Health released the National Food Safety Standard of Quick Frozen Flour and Rice Products (GB 19295-2011)

#### Standard for Colorants in Health Foods – CH8030

Translated version: April 1, 2008

On April 1, 2008, the Standardization Administration of China (SAC) notified the World Trade Organization of a standard that specifies the maximum use levels of certain colorants in health foods. This standard was notified by the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/107. The comment period on this notification is open until June 1, 2008. This report contains and UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION that should be used as reference only.

#### Standards for Preservatives in Health Foods – CH8031

Translated version: April 1, 2008

On April 1, 2008, the Standardization Administration of China (SAC) notified the World Trade Organization of a new standard regarding certain preservatives in health foods. This standard was notified by the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/105. The comment period on this notification is open until June 1, 2008. This report contains and UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION that should be used as reference only.

#### Sweetener Standard in Health Foods – CH8029

Translated version: April 1, 2008

On April 1, 2008, the Standardization Administration of China (SAC) notified the World Trade Organization of a standard that specifies the maximum use levels of certain sweeteners in health foods. This standard was notified by the WTO as G/SPS/N/CHN/106. The comment period for this notification is open until June 1, 2008. This report contains and UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION that should be used as reference only.

#### Draft General Standard for Beverages – CH6108

WTO Announcement: TBT/N/CHN/235 from November 16, 2006

Issued by the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) and the Standardization Administration of China (SAC). The draft standard specifies the classification, definition and technical requirements of the 11 major categories and 48 sub-categories of beverages. It will replace national standard "Classification of Soft Drinks - GB10789-1996" and contains a more detailed product classification and adjusted technical requirements that reference the relevant Codex standards. The comment period ended on January 15, 2007 and proposed date of entry into force is September 15, 2007.

Follow-up: GB 10789-2007.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Foods for Frying - CH3116

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB16565, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Canned Edible Fungi - CH3108

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB7098, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Breakfast Cereal - CH3107

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/62 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Biscuits/Cookies - CH3105

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB7100, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Pastry and Bread – CH3104

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFTED Standard, GB7099, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Puffed Foods – CH3103

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFTED Standard, GB17401, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Jellies - CH3085

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Cocoa Powder Based Solid Drinks - CH3081

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/71 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments. The Standard was subsequently notified to the WTO. This translation is based on the initial Ministry of Health announcement. A final version has not been adopted and any previous measures cited in this Standard remain in force.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Chewing Gum - CH3079

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB17399, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Canned Fruits and Vegetables - CH3077

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB11671, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Candy - CH3076

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB9678.1, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Concentrated Fruit and Vegetable Juice for the Food Industry - CH3075

WTO Announcement: G/SPS/N/CHN/59 from February 13, 2004

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB17325, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Fruit and Vegetable Juice - CH3074

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Vegetable Protein Beverages - CH3073

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB16322, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Bottled Purified Potable Water - CH3072

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB17324, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Bottled Potable Water - CH3071

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GBXXXX, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Frozen Drinks - CH3069

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB2759.1, to solicit comments.

DRAFTED Hygienic Standard for Solid Beverages - CH3068

Translated version: August 2002

China's Ministry of Health published this DRAFT Standard, GB7101, to solicit comments.

"Wholesome" Food Administration Regulation - CH2032

Translated version: April 29, 2002

MOA and AQSIQ jointly announced 2002 Decree No. 12 that applies to the domestic production of "Wholesome Agricultural Products." The measures provide guidelines in determining production management, certification and testing of products and production areas, "wholesome" product labeling, and monitoring management or enforcement of these administrative measures. These voluntary measures differ from "Organic" and "Green Food" (see CH 1072 and CH1059) standards. "Green Food" and "Organic" standards are considered more stringent labels than "Wholesome." The purpose for all three measures and standards is to regulate or reduce agro-chemical inputs, such as pesticides and fertilizers.

"Green Food" Standard - CH1059

Translated version: October 1997

"Green Food," a term similar but different in meaning to "Organic Food," is under the scope of this standard. The Standards are published in a handbook that provides for the appropriate classification, use, and requirements for food products to be labeled "Green Food" and sold on the domestic market. The Standard specifies the environment, fertilizers, pesticides, and other chemicals and the respective dosages that can be used on foods and carry the green food label. MOA has statutory authority for this Standard.

Health Food Standard - CH1049

Translated version: February 28, 1997

This MOH Health Food National Standard (GB16740-1997) provides guidelines for the manufacturing, labeling, and hygiene of the health (functional) food industry in China. The Standard provides some specific requirements for imported health (functional) foods for the Chinese domestic market. The State Council delegated MOH statutory authority for this regulation.

Soft Drink Classification Standard - CH1061

Translated version: December 17, 1996

This standard establishes classifications for the following beverage drinks that are produced or marketed in China: carbonated drinks, fruit juices (pulp) and drinks, vegetable juice and drinks, drinks containing milk, vegetable protein drinks, bottled water, tea drinks, powdered drinks, specific drinks, and other drinks. The standard conforms to CODEX requirements.

Administration Regulation for Health Food - CH1050

Translated version: June 1, 1996.

This MOH regulation provides the administration regulations for the examination and approval, production, marketing, and supervision of the health (functional) food industry. Several articles address specific approvals and requirements for imported health (functional) foods. MOH has the statutory authority responsible for monitoring this regulation.

## **Section VIII. Copyright and/or Trademark Laws:**

Measures for Administration of Geographical Indications (GI) of Agricultural Products – CH8006

Translated version: January 30, 2008

The Ministry of Agriculture recently published “Measures for Administration of Geographical Indications (GI) of Agricultural Products.” This measure will go into effect on February 1, 2008. The issuance of GI registration system by the Ministry of Agriculture brings the total number of competing systems to three. Currently, the Trademark Law of China protects GIs in the form of certification marks or collective marks. Additionally, the “Rules of Protection of Products of Geographical Indication” issued by General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ) also provides protection for GIs.

The three systems do not clearly indicate the level of interoperability or if approval in one GI registration system applies to all three. In fact, it appears that each is independent and registration in one system does not provide protection under the other two. Moreover, the lack of transparency is confusing to registrants because it creates an unclear legal environment by failing to clarify which system takes precedence. However, the trademark registration system under the Trademark Law is generally considered superior because of its higher legal power relative to the rules and measures used to administer the AQSIQ and MOA GI administration regimes.

Protecting Plant Varieties in China: Alternatives – CH7030

FAS China: April 24, 2007

There are three methods to protect the intellectual property of plant products in China: 1) trademark, 2) method

patent, and 3) new plant variety right. This report outlines the steps and decisions regarding how to protect plant varieties in China.

#### Protecting Your Intellectual Property Rights – CH7028

FAS China: April 9, 2007

China's rapid growth in production, income and spending has led to a commensurate growth in demand for food and other products. While quality U.S. food products often make it to store shelves, an estimated 20-30 percent of products are counterfeit. Big companies that have established themselves in China include protecting their intellectual property as an integral part of the cost of doing business. This means registering your patent, copyright or trademark with the appropriate Chinese registration office, and ensuring you understand and use the progressive enforcement mechanisms available in China to stop infringers.

#### Measures for Administration of Geographical Indication Signs Products – CH7027

FAS China: April 10, 2007

The State Administration for Industry and Commerce (SAIC) issued the "Measure for Administration of Special Signs of Geographical Indication Products", indicating Geographical Indications (GI) as signs of products which have been registered with the SAIC's Trademark Office.

#### Going to China?: Trademark your Intellectual Property Now! – CH7023

FAS China: March 22, 2007

By some estimates, United States producers lost more than \$84 billion last year from intellectual property rights infringements in the People's Republic of China. Automobiles, sports equipment, drugs, food and other agricultural products all suffer. The more a product is recognized as a quality product, the more likely it is to be counterfeited and sold in the local market, in other countries, or even re-exported to the U.S. China is rapidly developing the tools necessary for you to protect your intellectual property, however. A very small investment of time and money can provide large dividends and future protection.

#### Protecting U.S. Food and Ag. Intellectual Property Rights in China – CH5035

FAS China: May 6, 2005

Though China strengthened its legal framework and amended its intellectual property rights (IPR) laws and regulations to comply with its WTO Agreements, IPR infringements of U.S. agriculture and food products remain a serious problem. In this report FAS China offers ways to strengthen protection of U.S. patents, trademarks, copyrights, plant varieties, geographical indicators, food labels, and other IPR in China and third-country markets.

#### Copyrights, Trademarks, and Patents - CH2049

Version: October 10, 2002

The document provides Internet site addresses to view UNOFFICIAL translations of the Copyright Law, Copyright Law Implementation Regulations, Trademark Law, Trademark Law Enforcement Measures, Patent Law, and Patent Law Administrative Enforcement Measures.

### **Section IX. Import Procedures:**

Exporters of U.S. food and agricultural products may contact the offices listed under Section One of this report or the U.S. Department of Agriculture Foreign Agriculture Service Home Office Directory of Cooperators ([www.fas.usda.gov/scripts/mos/HomeOffResults.asp?Div=ALL](http://www.fas.usda.gov/scripts/mos/HomeOffResults.asp?Div=ALL)) for additional clarification or assistance.

\* **FAIRS Export Certificate Report – CH13070**

Annual Exporter Guide – CH7823

ATO Shanghai: December 31, 2007

In 2006, China Customs reported total agriculture, fisheries and forest product imports of over \$40 billion. Imports of consumer-oriented agricultural products (not including fisheries, bulk or intermediate products) accounted for nearly \$5 billion of this total. The U.S. continues to hold the top position in both overall agricultural exports to China and in consumer-oriented products, despite setbacks in beef, pork and poultry trade. As incomes continue to grow, and buying habits change, U.S. exporters are advised to invest in market research and taste testing before launching new products.

Annual Exporter Guide – CH6821

ATO Shanghai: November 7, 2006

In 2005, China Customs reported total agriculture, fisheries and forest product imports of over \$35 billion. Imports of consumer-oriented agricultural products (not including fisheries, bulk or intermediate products) accounted for over \$3 billion of this total. The U.S. continues to hold the top position in both overall agricultural exports to China and in consumer-oriented products, despite setbacks in beef exports to China. As incomes continue to grow, China is showing signs of becoming a more consumption-driven economy.

Annual Exporter Guide – CH5823

ATO Shanghai: November 8, 2005

In 2004, China Customs reported agriculture, fisheries and forest products imports of over \$33 billion. Imports of consumer-oriented agricultural products (not include fisheries, bulk or intermediate products) accounted for over \$3 billion of this total. The U.S. continues to hold the top position in both overall agricultural exports to China and in consumer-oriented products, despite setbacks in both poultry and beef exports to China. As incomes continue to grow, China is showing signs of becoming a more consumption-driven economy.

Annual Exporter Guide – CH4824

ATO Shanghai: October 20, 2004

This report provides an overview of the China market along with exporter business tips, analysis of market sector structure and trends, information on best high-value product prospects, contact information for importer assistance, and statistics on agricultural trade.

China's imports of agricultural, fisheries, and forestry products continue climbing as China's processing sector demand for both re-export and domestic markets continues growing. Additionally, imports of processed and ready-to-eat foods and beverages are making steady ground as incomes grow and wealthier consumers' willingness to try new products expands.

#### **Appendix I. Government Regulatory Agency Contacts:**

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China

[www.nhfpc.gov.cn](http://www.nhfpc.gov.cn)

Ministry of Agriculture (MOA)

11 Nongzhanguan Nanli, Chaoyang District

Beijing 100026

China

[www.moa.gov.cn](http://www.moa.gov.cn)

General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ)  
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China Food and Drug Administration  
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## **Appendix II. Other Import Specialist Contacts:**

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International Regulations and Standards Division

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