NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Singapore **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Singapore Food Agency (SFA)**Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:**  |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****],** **5.7.1 [****],** **other****:**  |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Food |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft Food (Amendment No. X) Regulations 2020 (8 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The SFA has completed a review of the Food Regulations and proposes the following amendments:a) To revise the standard for butter in Regulation 116, with respect to the product definition, raw materials, permitted ingredients and composition, to be in line with the Codex Standard for Butter (CODEX STAN 279-1971).b) To amend the name of an existing food additive, from "Hydrogenated glucose syrup (maltitol and maltitol-based products)", to "Maltitol" and "Maltitol syrup (hydrogenated glucose syrup)".c) To delete Regulation 204(2) which specifies the geographical origin of Scotch Whisky.*(The above amendments are also notified via SPS notification.)* |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Protection of human health |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** * Food Regulations: <https://sso.agc.gov.sg/SL/SFA1973-RG1>
* Codex General Standard for Food Additives (CODEX STAN 192-1995)
* Codex Standard for Butter (CODEX STAN 279-1971)
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| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** Second half of 2020**Proposed date of entry into force:** Same day as the adoption of the measure; following adoption of the new amendments, a 12-month grace period will be given for food businesses to sell food products that were part of the existing stock-in-trade, provided such food products are in compliance with the previous standard, had it not been amended by the new measure |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:** The public consultation document and proposed regulations will be made available at the following website:<http://www.sfa.gov.sg/legislation> "Sale of Food Act", then click on "Consultation on Draft Food (Amendment No. X) Regulations 2020" and "Draft Food (Amendment No. X) Regulations 2020)"Alternatively, please write in to:Food Regulatory Management DivisionRegulatory Standards DepartmentSingapore Food Agency 52 Jurong Gateway Road #14-01Singapore 608550Tel: +(65) 6805 2912Fax: +(65) 6334 1831E-mail: WTO\_contact@sfa.gov.sg, adelene\_yap@sfa.gov.sg |