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NOTIFICATION

1.	**Notifying Member:** <u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u> **If applicable, name of local government involved:**
2.	**Agency responsible:** Ministry of Climate Change and Environment
3.	**Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Technical product documentation (ICS code: 01.110)
4.	**Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:** [X] **All trading partners** [ ] **Specific regions or countries:**
5.	**Title of the notified document:** National Guide to the Registration of Regulatory Authorities and Food Establishments exporting to the United Arab Emirates. **Language(s):** Arabic and English. **Number of pages:** 22 and 23 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/ARE/25_03404_00_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/ARE/25_03404_00_e.pdf
6.	**Description of content:** The purpose of this guide is to outline the procedures and trading practices followed by foreign food establishments exporting food products to the country. These procedures are implemented through the official regulatory authority responsible for food safety in the country of origin/export. The guide aims to achieve the following objectives: – Ensure the safety and quality of food exported to the country; – Guarantee that imported food is produced and handled under hygienic conditions in establishments that adhere to health, veterinary, and food safety standards; – Facilitate the smooth flow of food exports to the country; – Strengthen food control measures and identify potential food safety risks before products enter the country; – Assess the compliance of foreign establishments with the requirements of regulatory authorities and applicable food safety standards; – Streamline customs clearance procedures for imported food, supporting informed acceptance or rejection decisions by local authorities; – Ensure imported food products comply with the provisions of Federal Law No. (10) of 2015 on food safety, as well as UAE specifications, technical regulations, and related legislation.
7.	**Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.**

8.	**Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**
	[ ] **Codex Alimentarius Commission** *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)***:**
	[ ] **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE)** *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)***:**
	[ ] **International Plant Protection Convention** *(e.g. ISPM number)***:**
	[X] **None**
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[ ] Yes [ ] No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9.	**Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**
10.	**Proposed date of adoption** *(dd/mm/yy)***:** To be determined.
	Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)***:** To be determined.
11.	**Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** *(dd/mm/yy)***:** To be determined.
	[X] **Trade facilitating measure**
12.	**Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or** *(dd/mm/yy)***:** 16 June 2025
	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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