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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>AUSTRALIA</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
- 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): Live horses
- 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: Review of the risk associated Japanese encephalitis in horses from approved countries Final report. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 14 https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/policy/risk-analysis/animal/horses
- **6. Description of content:** Australia released the Review of the risk associated Japanese encephalitis in horses from approved countries Final report on 9 October 2023. All comments on the draft report for this policy review were considered in the finalisation process.

The Australian Biosecurity Import Conditions System (<u>BICON</u>) will be updated to reflect the change as new health certificates are agreed with trading partners. All existing import permits remain valid. If desired, please contact the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry to request a permit variation prior to the BICON changes.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] 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*):
 - [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapter 8.10
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

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9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 9 October 2023
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 9 October 2023
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): Not applicable.
	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:
	Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 Australia Tel: +(61 2) 6272 3933 Email: <u>sps.contact@aff.gov.au</u> Website: <u>http://www.agriculture.gov.au</u>
13.	Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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