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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>SINGAPORE</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: National Parks Board/Animal and Veterinary Service (NParks/AVS)
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): Dogs and cats (HS code: 01061900)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Veterinary Conditions for the Importation of Dogs/Cats for Countries/Regions under Schedule I; Veterinary Conditions for the Importation of Dogs/Cats for Countries/Regions under Schedule II; Veterinary Conditions for the Importation of Dogs/Cats for Countries/Regions under Schedule III; Veterinary Conditions for the Importation of Assistance Dogs for Countries/Regions under Schedule I to III. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 11, 12, 9 and 17, respectively https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/SGP/23_8803_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/SGP/23_8803_01_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/SGP/23_8803_02_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/SGP/23_8803_03_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The veterinary conditions for the importation of dogs/cats for countries/regions have been reviewed to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">· align with WOA's Terrestrial Animal Health Code (TAHC) Chapter 8.14 Infection with rabies virus;· re-categorise countries in the current Categories A/B/C/D to Schedules I/II/III based on assessment of the country's rabies risk;· update the requirements for import and post-arrival quarantine for Schedule II countries (the current Categories B and C);· include a new definition of "commercial" imports and implementation of ten days post-arrival quarantine for commercial imports from Schedule II countries;· revise the waiting time from date of rabies vaccination to date of import for Schedules II and III imports;· revise the waiting time from date of rabies vaccination to date of rabies serology test. A summary of the revisions is in ANNEX (see Item 9).
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from

other damage from pests.	
8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapter 8.14 Infection with rabies virus</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: A summary of the revisions is in ANNEX: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/SGP/23_8803_04_e.pdf (available in English)</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 2nd quarter 2023</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 2nd quarter 2023</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 10 June 2023</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Animal and Veterinary Service National Parks Board Attn: Animal and Veterinary Programme Office, Professional and Scientific Services Division 52 Jurong Gateway Road, #09-01 Singapore 608550 Singapore E-mail: Tay_Rijin@nparks.gov.sg Grace_Yam@nparks.gov.sg</p>

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

The veterinary conditions are attached to this notification. For any further queries, please contact:

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