

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health and Welfare 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):  Drugs (HS: 30)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Revision of the Minimum Requirements for Antibiotic Products of Japan (2 pages, available in English)
6.	Description of content: Under the provision of Article 42 paragraph 1 of Pharmaceutical Affairs Law, the Minister of Health and Welfare will revise the Minimum Requirements for Antibiotic Products of Japan.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To revise the compendial test methods and specifications (manufacturing, description, quality and storage) for antibiotic products which have been already approved by the Minister in accordance with the technical development
8.	Relevant documents: The basic law is the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law. These revisions will be made public in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted
9.	Proposed date of adoption: } Proposed date of entry into force: } June 1998
10.	Final date for comments: 31 May 1998
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of other body: