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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

Original: Spanish

## **NOTIFICATION**

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

1. Notifying Member: BRAZIL

If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):

**2. Agency responsible:** Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply – MAPA

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:

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- 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):

HS 081010 (Strawberry) ICS 67.080 (Fruits and Vegetables)

- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Consultation 373, 5 August 2021 Language(s): Portuguese. Number of pages: 6
- **6. Description of content:** MAPA Ordinance No. 373 opens a 75-day period for public consultation on a proposal of MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on the identity and quality of strawberry.

The Ordinance and the project are available on:

https://www.in.gov.br/en/web/dou/-/portaria-n-373-de-5-de-agosto-de-2021-337232644

Technically substantiated suggestions should be forwarded through the Normative Act Monitoring System - SISMAN, of the Department of Agricultural Defense - SDA/MAPA, through the link:

https://sistemasweb.agricultura.gov.br/solicita/

**7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements

Ensure equivalent treatment with respect to its identification and classification for its commercialization within MERCOSUR, and therefore it contributes preserving the health of consumers, eliminating non-tariff technical barriers and preventing fraud and unfair commercial practices.

Revision of GMC Resolution No. 85/96, which approved the MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on Strawberry Identity and Quality, in order to adapt it to GMC Resolutions No. 38/98 and No. 12/06.

**8. Relevant documents:** 1) Brazilian Official Gazette 150 on 10 August 2021, section 1, page 13. 2) MERCOSUR Resolution 12/2006

https://www.in.gov.br/web/dou/-/portaria-n-373-de-5-de-agosto-de-2021-337232644

https://normas.mercosur.int/simfiles/normativas/5354 RES 012-2006 PT ProdutosinNatura.pdf

**9. Proposed date of adoption** Not applicable

Proposed date of entry into force: Not applicable

**10.** Final date for comments: 24 October 2021

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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