



NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1.	Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare 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:
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): Class-1 pressure vessels (item (2) of article 12 of Order for Enforcement of Industrial Safety and Health Act (Cabinet Order No. 318 of 1972). HS: 7311.00) and Class-2 pressure vessels (paragraph 1 of article 13 of Order for Enforcement of Industrial Safety and Health Act (Cabinet Order No. 318 of 1972). HS: 7311.00)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Amendment to the Construction Code for Pressure Vessels about Class-1 and Class-2 pressure vessels
6.	Description of content: Amendments to the Construction Code for Pressure Vessels (Notification No.196 of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, 2003), which aims to (1) delete corrosion allowance (the additional thickness required for corrosion and mechanical abrasion resistance) from the minimum thickness of the Class-1 and Class-2 pressure vessels and (2) harmonize to the latest revision of relevant Japan Industrial Standards.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: In order to prevent occupational accidents due to Class-1 and Class-2 pressure vessels.
8.	Relevant documents: The Industrial Safety and Health Act. These amendments are to be published in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of entry into force: October 2016 (planned)

10. Final date for comments: To be decided.

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

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