Guidelines for Common Foundation of Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs)
3. Construction of the guideline

Clarification of practices which should be promoted for their implementation for our country’s agricultural production in accordance with the provision of the legal system and relevant policies related to food safety, environmental protection and occupational safety.

After screening the presence of laws and regulations guidelines and the presence of production process unique to the crop concerned, we organize action items for each crop of 1 to 9: ① vegetables ② rice ③ wheat ④ fruit ⑤ tea ⑥ forage crops ⑦ other crops (edible: soy, etc.) ⑧ other crops (non-food: flowers, etc.) ⑨ mushrooms

Practices of each crop have the following structure:

- Food Safety
  - Field environment and hygienic management (vegetables and fruit)
  - Check display content at the time of pesticide use, workers’ hygienic management
  - Fungal toxin (DON·NIV), Reduction countermeasure for contamination (wheat) Reduction countermeasure for fungal toxin contamination (patulin)
  - Hygienic management at the time of dried tea leaves processing tea), measures to prevent contamination at the time of harvest and preparation, etc.

- Environmental protection
  - Creation of an environment to prevent the occurrence of pest and application of organic matter of fertilization and compost, etc. in line with the fertilization standards of prefectures.
  - Killing of a foreign weed seeds in the compost, proper disposal of waste and damage prevention measures by hazardous wildlife

- Occupational Safety
  - Recognition of hazardous work, Confirmation of safety equipment such as machinery and appropriate management of pesticide, and fuel

- General
  - Protection and utilization of intellectual property, appropriate use of seeds and seedlings of registered variety, and recording and storage of information

Practice of GAP techniques:

① the development of inspection items (Plan)
② implementation of the agricultural work, recorded and stored (Do)
③ inspection (Check)
④ understanding the part improvement required and review for improvement (Action)
(Added a mechanism of objective inspection such as internal inspections by the individual or entity responsible at the production site)
## Classification Number Action Item

Laws and regulations related to the action items

### Confirmation and sanitation management of farm field environment

1. Farm field and their surrounding environment (soil or sewage, etc.), waste, pollution prevention from the materials, etc. (Note 1)

   - Guideline on the management and operation reference food business operators (Guidelines) (February 27, 2004 with the Food depreciation departure No.0227012 Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare Pharmaceutical and Food Safety Bureau Food Safety Director notification)

   - Development of "Health Management Guidelines of Vegetables to Shipment from Cultivation" (June 24, 2011 with 23 No. 1813 Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Safety and Consumer Department, Agricultural Safety Management Division notification)

### Use of pesticides

2. Prohibition of materials such as suspected unregistered pesticides and unregistered pesticides (obligation on the laws and regulations)

   - Agricultural Chemicals Control Law (1948 Law No. 82)

3. Adequate inspection of protection equipment prior to pesticide use before and sufficient cleaning after use

   - Considerations items with regard to the advice of pesticide proper use (March 28, 2007, 18, No.14701, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Consumption and Safety Director, Production Director, Management Director notification)

4. Every time the use of pesticides, check the display contents of the container or packaging, and use of pesticides to protect the display contents (Obligations under the laws and regulations)

   - Ordinance of the Ministry of the criteria to be observed by the person who uses pesticides (the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries and Environment Ordinance No. 5, 2003)

### Avoidance of the impact of pesticides on the surrounding crop (obligations under the laws and regulations)

- Ordinance of the Ministry of the person you want to use pesticides defines the criteria to be observed (the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries and Environment Ordinance No. 5, 2003)

- The influence prevention measures to surrounding crops due to spraying of pesticides (December 20, 2005, 17, No. 8282 Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Consumption And Safety Director, Production Director, Management Director notification)

### Water usage

5. Confirmation of water source of water to be used (water, well water, open canals, reservoirs, etc.). In case pollution of water sources can be identified, implementation of improvement measures according to the purpose of water use. (In particular, such as the cleaning water of vegetables, near harvest or after harvesting, take a great care for the water to the edible portion) (Note 1)

   - "Development of health management guidelines of vegetables from cultivation to shipment"

   - Codex Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Health Code of Practice (the 26th Codex Alimentarius Commission General Assembly adopted in July 2003)