

1. Regarding the safety requirements for grain and grain products, the MHLW sets specifications and standards under the Food Sanitation Act. Compositional specifications, standards for manufacturing and others for food in general or each food category are stipulated based on Article 11 of the Act.
 - (1) The specifications of grains and beans
 - 1) Rice (brown rice, polished rice)
Cadmium and its compounds : 0.4 ppm (as Cd)
 - 2) Adzuki beans
Cyanide : undetectable
(Except for the following: 500 ppm as HCN for saltani beans, saltapia beans, butter beans, pequia beans, white beans and lima beans)
 - 3) Soybeans, peas, broad beans, peanuts, other types of beans
Cyanide : undetectable
2. Regarding pesticides residues in foods, the MHLW sets maximum residue limits (MRLs) per type of pesticide and food. The uniform limit (0.01 ppm) applies to a food or pesticide for which the individual MRL is not established.
 - Specifications and standards for foods are available on the MHLW website (in Japanese only).
https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/kenkou_iryuu/shokuhin/jigyousya/shokuhin_kikaku/index.html
 - Pesticide MRLs in foods can be found at the following address.
<http://db.ffcr.or.jp/front/>
3. Food which contain toxic or harmful substances must not be produced, sold, or imported under Article 6 of the Act. Therefore, foods for which specifications and standards are not established, may also be subject to regulations under the Act.