

20 January 2023

NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization – Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website (www.epingalert.org) from 31 December 2022 to 06 January 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the six (6) notified draft technical regulations from four (4) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/AUS/151	Australia	<p>Date of Distribution: 05 January 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 05 March 2023</p>	Vape liquids, e-liquids and e-juices that contain nicotine and / or nicotine salts	<p>The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) is seeking comments on possible reforms to the regulation of ENDS. This includes vape liquids, eliquids and e-juices that contain nicotine and/or nicotine salts. This does not include other nicotine replacement therapies (NRTs) containing nicotine, such as patches, gum, lozenges, mouth spray and inhalators nor nicotine-containing products that are not intended for use in ENDS, such as chewing tobacco and snuff.</p> <p>One of the possible reform options would also affect the importation of vaping devices that do not contain nicotine</p>
G/TBT/N/AUS/152	Australia	<p>Date of Distribution: 05 January 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 05 March 2023</p>	Nicotine vaping products	<p>The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) is seeking comments on possible reforms to the regulation of ENDS. This includes vape liquids, eliquids and e-juices that contain nicotine and/or nicotine salts. This does not include other nicotine replacement therapies (NRTs) containing nicotine, such as patches, gum, lozenges, mouth spray and inhalators nor nicotine-containing products that</p>

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 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

				are not intended for use in ENDS, such as chewing tobacco and snuff. One of the possible reform options would also affect the importation of vaping devices that do not contain nicotine.
G/TBT/N/BRA/1420/Add.1	Brazil	Date of Distribution: 05 January 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Plant species authorized for the preparation of teas and for use as spices - Addendum	The Normative Instruction number 159, 01 July 2022 - previously notified through G/TBT/N/BRA/1420 - which establishes the lists of parts of plant species authorized for the preparation of teas and for use as spices, was changed by the Normative Instruction 197, 8 December 2022.
G/TBT/N/BRA/1465	Brazil	Date of Distribution: 05 January 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Applicable	Production, certification, technical responsibility, processing, repackaging, storage, sampling, analysis, marketing and use of seeds	MAPA Ordinance No. 538, 20 December 2022, establishes the standards for the production, certification, technical responsibility, processing, repackaging, storage, sampling, analysis, marketing and use of seeds.
G/TBT/N/CRI/194/Add.1	Costa Rica	Date of Distribution: 04 January 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Formulated Synthetic Pesticides - Addendum	Reform to RTCR 504:2021. Regulation for the Registration of Agricultural Inputs. Formulated Synthetic Pesticides, Technical Grade Active Ingredient, Adjuvants, Substances related and Physical Vehicles for Agricultural Use, notified under document G/TBT/N/CRI/194 on February 2022 to the member countries of the WTO.
G/TBT/N/UKR/192/Add.1	Ukraine	Date of Distribution: 06 January 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Pesticides and agrochemicals - Addendum	Ukraine notifies the adoption of the Law of Ukraine No 2775-IX "On Amendments to Certain Laws of Ukraine on Improving State Regulation in the Sphere of Pesticides and Agrochemicals" of November 16, 2022. The Law was published on December 28, 2022 and will

				enter into force in six months from the date of its publication, namely on June 28, 2023, except: subparagraph 8 of paragraph 1 of Section I of this Law (refers to requirements on packaging and labelling), that shall enter into force on January 1, 2024; and paragraph 3 of Section I and paragraphs 2 and 3 of section "Final and Transitional Provisions", that shall enter into force on the day following the day of publication of this Law, namely on December 29, 2022.
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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