

11 April 2024

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 23 to 29 March 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the five (5) notified draft technical regulations from five (5) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/ISR/1330	Israel	Date of Distribution: 25 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: 31 March 2024	Cosmetic products	Israel's Ministry of Health announced a new draft amendment to the Pharmacists Ordinance [New Version] 5741-1981. This proposed amendment aims to reduce trade barriers by coordinating the Israeli import regime with The European Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 on Cosmetic Products regarding prohibited substances in cosmetics, restricted substances, dyes, sunscreens and preservatives. and includes the following significant changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopts of EU regulations to apply in Israel; • Allows adequate cosmetics importers to import from EU member countries, UK or Switzerland, even if they do not have access to the cosmetic product information file or to its safety assessment.
G/TBT/N/KOR/1202	Republic of Korea	Date of Distribution: 26 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: 24 May 2024	Consumer chemical products	o Major Contents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establishment of Committee judging consumer chemical products confused as food - Indication of changes in product weight and capacity, etc.
G/TBT/N/TPKM/534/Add.1	The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	Date of Distribution: 25 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Cosmetic products - Addendum	The purpose of this notification is to provide the final texts of "Amendment to the List of Ingredients Prohibited in Cosmetic Products" and relevant dates of its implementation. The draft texts notified in G/TBT/N/TPKM/534 were adopted with minor changes. Besides the implementation date specified above, the amendment of the ingredient "Cells, tissues or products of human origin" took effect on 21 March 2024.

BUREAU OF PHILIPPINE STANDARDS

Membership:

- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
 - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

G/TBT/N/G BR/78	United Kingdom	Date of Distribution: 25 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: 23 May 2024	Hazardous chemical substances	The purpose of this proposal is to amend the GB mandatory classification and labelling list (the GB MCL list), following review, by introducing new and revised entries for the mandatory classification and labelling of 48 hazardous chemical substances.
G/TBT/N/U SA/2107	United States	Date of Distribution: 27 March 2024 Deadline for Comments: 28 May 2024	Certain existing chemicals	The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or the Agency) is proposing to require manufacturers (including importers) of 16 chemical substances to submit copies and lists of certain unpublished health and safety studies to EPA. Health and safety studies sought by this action will help inform EPA's responsibilities pursuant to Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), including prioritization, risk evaluation, and risk management. The chemical substances being added by this proposed rule are: 4,4-Methylene bis(2-chloraniline) (CASRN 101-14-4); 4-tert-octylphenol(4-(1,1,3,3-Tetramethylbutyl)-phenol) (CASRN140-66-9); Acetaldehyde (CASRN75-07-0); Acrylonitrile (CASRN 107-13-1); Benzenamine (CASRN 62-53-3); Benzene (CASRN 71-43-2); Bisphenol A (CASRN 80-05-7); Ethylbenzene (CASRN 100-41-4); Naphthalene (CASRN 91-20-3); Vinyl Chloride (CASRN 75-01-4); Styrene (CASRN 100-42-5); Tribomomethane (Bromoform) (CASRN 75-25-2); Triglycidyl isocyanurate; (CASRN 2451-62-9); Hydrogen fluoride (CARN 7664-39-3); N-(1,3-Dimethylbutyl)-N'-phenyl-p phenylenediamine (6PPD) (CASRN 793-24-8); and 2-anilino-5-[(4-methylpentan-2-yl) amino]cyclohexa-2,5-diene-1,4-dione (6PPD-quinone) (CASRN 2754428-18-5).

To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at BPS@dti.gov.ph copy bps.smd@dti.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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