

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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 23 to 29 March 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the eleven (11) notified draft technical regulations from six (6) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/B/RA/1529</a>	Brazil	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 27 March 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 27 May 2024	Additives intended for production of plastic materials and coatings polymers in contact with food	This Draft Resolution establishes the positive list of additives intended for production of plastic materials and coatings polymers in contact with food.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/B/RA/1530</a>	Brazil	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 27 March 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 26 June 2024	Content and nutritional claims and list of authorized constituents for infant formulas, transitional foods and cereal-based foods for infants and young children, formulas for enteral nutrition and diet[...] for inborn errors of metabolism	This Draft Resolution establishes composition and quality requirements, content and nutritional claims and list of authorized constituents for infant formulas, transitional foods and cereal-based foods for infants and young children, formulas for enteral nutrition and diet therapy formulas for inborn errors of metabolism. This regulation will be also notified to the SPS Committee
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/B/RA/1531</a>	Brazil	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 27 March 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 13 May 2024	Monomers, other starting substances and polymers authorized for the development of plastic packaging and equipment in contact with food	This Draft Resolution contains provisions on changes the positive list of monomers, other starting substances and polymers authorized for the development of plastic packaging and equipment in contact with food.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/B/RA/1532</a>	Brazil	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 27 March 2024	Infant formulas for infants and young children, transitional	This Draft Resolution contains provisions on sanitary requirements for infant formulas for infants and young children, transitional foods and

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- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
  - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
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		<b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 26 June 2024	foods and cereal-based foods for infants and young children, formulas for enteral nutrition and diet therapy formulas for inborn errors of metabolism	cereal-based foods for infants and young children, formulas for enteral nutrition and diet therapy formulas for inborn errors of metabolism. This regulation will be also notified to the SPS Committee.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CRI/114/Add.1</a>	Costa Rica	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 March 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 28 May 2024	Pre-packaged food products - Addendum	The Addendum to Notification G/TBT/N/CRI/114 RTCA 67.01.60:10 Labeling is correct of pre-packaged food products for human consumption for the population from 3 years old. The Government of the Republic of Costa Rica informs that it notified on February 24, 2011 with the G/TBT/N/CRI/114 the draft regulation " RTCA 67.04.60:10 Nutrition Labelling of Prepackaged Food Products for Human Consumption for the Population from 3 years of age.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CRI/115/Add.1/Corr.1</a>	Costa Rica	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 March 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Pre-packaged foods - Corrigendum	Notification G/TBT/N/CRI/115/Add.1 was circulated in error and should therefore be considered invalid and without effect.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/1332</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 25 March 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 March 2024	Food products	The Ministry of Health publishes a draft amendment to the Protection of Public Health Law (Food) (Amendment No. 5 and Temporary Provisions) (Expanding the Adoption of European law and its streamlining and removing barriers to importing food through the European compliance route), 5784-2024. This amendment promotes and extends the food reform implemented in 2021, which aims to reduce the cost of living and is based on the European model. The major changes introduced in this amendment are as follows: 1. Simplifies and streamlines the procedures for updating changes in European law and delegates the updating authority to the Food Service Director; 2. Adopts an additional 20 European

				<p>food regulations, including food labeling, food additives, and substances that come into contact with food and creates harmonization and compatibility between Israeli and European food safety legislation;</p> <p>3. Promotes significant ease to the importation of food marketed in the EU for Authorized Economic Operator AEO ("Appropriate Importer"); . Extends the obligation to manage a self-safety system to all food distributors.</p> <p>This requirement is necessary to regulate food labeling similar to that in Europe, especially for labeling foods that cause allergy or intolerance.</p>
<a href="#">G/TBT/NT/UR/211/Co rr.1</a>	Turkey	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 26 March 2024</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated</p>	Cream and Cream - Corrigendum	<p>This Communiqué enters into force on the date of its publication.</p> <p>Food operators operating before the publication date of this Communiqué must comply with the provisions of this Communiqué until 31/12/2024.</p> <p>Products produced before 31/12/2024 may be available on the market until the end of their shelf life.</p>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/U/KR/283/Add.1</a>	Ukraine	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 March 2024</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated</p>	Fruit jams, jellies, marmalades, sweetened chestnut puree - Addendum	<p>Ukraine notifies the adoption of the Order of the Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine No. 391 "On Approval of the Requirements for Fruit Jams, Jellies, Marmalades and Sweetened Chestnut Puree" of 14 February 2024.</p> <p>The Order was registered in the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on 29 February 2024 and published on 19 March 2024.</p> <p>The Order will enter into force on 19 September 2024.</p> <p>The Order stipulates that fruit jams, jellies, marmalade and sweetened chestnut puree that meet the requirements in force before the entry into force of this Order, but do not meet the Requirements for fruit jams, jellies, marmalade and sweetened chestnut puree approved by the said Order, may be placed on the market for three years from the date of entry into force of this Order. Such food products may be placed on the market until the final date of consumption or the expiry of the minimum shelf life.</p>

<a href="#">G/TBT/N/A RE/604</a>	United Arab Emirates	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 25 March 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 23 May 2024	Roasted coffee bean	This draft technical regulation applies to the requirements for whole and ground roasted coffee beans obtained by roasting green coffee beans of the genus (Coffea). It does not include ground roasted coffee to which added by any other additives and Instant Coffee.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/A RE/605</a>	United Arab Emirates	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 25 March 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 23 May 2024	Blend of sweetened condensed skimmed milk and vegetables fats	This GSO draft technical regulation concern the general requirement for of blend of sweetened condensed skimmed milk and vegetables fats, intended for direct consumption, or further processing. All items are compulsory (Items 3,4,5,7,8&9) Definitions, requirements, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling are compulsory. Remaining items are voluntary.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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