

# WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS BULLETIN

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This publication seeks to provide cohesive information in a weekly basis on the foreign notifications of the WTO members under the TBT agreement on their proposed technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures.

Philippine exporters and relevant stakeholders are invited to review the proposed regulations. Comments that will be received by the BPS will be transmitted to the governments concerned for their consideration.

## IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE

Notifications from 19 WTO Members from Asia, Europe, North and South America.

We would like to hear from you. For any questions, suggestions or requests for full text of notified regulations, please contact us at [bps@dti.gov.ph](mailto:bps@dti.gov.ph)

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## LIST OF WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (04 - 10 JULY 2015)

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	06/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/263</a>	Baby food <i>This UAE control scheme applies to all prepared and processed food products intended to use for infants and Children.</i>	60 days from notification
	06/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/264</a>	Equipment for children <i>This UAE control scheme is applied to Child use and care articles intended to use for infants and Children.</i>	60 days from notification
BRAZIL	08/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/592/Add.1</a>	Label of packaged food <i>Technical regulation that adopts provisions on the mandatory declaration in the label of packaged food, of recognized sources of food allergies or food intolerances in sensitive persons - was published by Anvisa as Resolution RDC n° 26/2015, 2 July 2015.</i>	—

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CANADA	10/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CAN/448/Add.1</a>	Food intended for human consumption  <i>Notice is hereby given that the period within which interested persons may make representations with respect to "Options for Reducing Burden for Micro and Small Businesses" is extended to 21 July 2015.</i>	—
CHILE	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/282/Add.1</a>	Food for human consumption  <i>Advisory that the final version of the Amendment to the Chilean Food Health Regulations, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 on the nutrition labelling of food, notified by Chile on 22 August 2014 in document G/TBT/N/CHL/282, was published in the Official Journal of Chile on 26 June 2015.</i>	—
COLOMBIA	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/COL/196/Add.2</a>	Biological medicines	—
COSTA RICA	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CRI/150</a>	Fortification with vitamin A of plantation white sugar  <i>National Technical Regulation on the fortification with vitamin A of plantation white sugar for direct consumption, and amendments thereto</i>	—
ECUADOR	10/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ECU/49/Add.6</a>	Interprovincial and intraprovincial buses	—
	10/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ECU/131/Add.3</a>	Loudspeakers	—
EUROPEAN UNION	06/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/298</a>	Food  <i>Draft Commission Regulation refusing to authorise certain health claims made on foods, other than those referring to the reduction of disease risk and to children's development and health</i>	60 days from notification
	07/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/299</a>	Rear aerodynamic devices attached to trailers and semitrailers (so-called rear flaps)  <i>This draft Commission Regulation concerns the conditions for use of the rear aerodynamic devices attached to trailers and semitrailers on the European road network.</i>	60 days from notification
FRANCE	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/FRA/164</a>	Engrais et amendements basiques	60 days from Notification

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INDONESIA	10/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IDN/86/Add.2</a>	Instant coffee  <i>This amendment covers:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Additional provision on time implementation for product that have been circulating in the market</li><li>• Changes in article 13 related to time enforcement of the regulation</li></ul>	—
	10/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IDN/90/Add.1</a>	Glass blocks  <i>Addendum of mandatory implementation of Indonesia National Standard for Glass in Building-Glass Block (SNI 21690:2013)</i>	—
JAPAN	06/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/JPN/494</a>	Gas equipment and appliances, liquefied petroleum  <i>Revision of the "Ministerial Ordinance for Technical Requirements of Gas Equipment and Appliances" and the "Ministerial Ordinance for Technical Requirements of Liquefied Petroleum Gas Equipment and Appliances"</i>	60 days from date of notification
KUWAIT	10/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KWT/277</a>	Labelling of pre-packaged food stuffs  <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with labelling of all pre-packaged foods and requirements relating to the presentation thereof. Items related to general requirements, mandatory labelling of pre-packaged foods and presentation of mandatory information (items 4, 5 and 7) are compulsory. The remaining items are voluntary.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
MEXICO	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MEX/117/Add.2</a>	Fishing vessels  <i>On 3 July 2015, the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food published in the Official Journal (Diario Oficial de la Federación) (<a href="http://www.dof.gob.mx/">http://www.dof.gob.mx/</a>), Mexican Official Standard NOM-062-SAG/PESC-2014 on the use of the satellite-based fishing vessel tracking and monitoring system.</i>	—
QATAR	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/QAT/389</a>	Handling formulated caffeinated beverages  <i>Recommendation on Handling Formulated Caffeinated Beverages</i>	60 days from the date of notification

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	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/QAT/390</a>	Chilled or frozen (cooked and uncooked), smoked or unsmoked poultry meat sausages  <i>This draft of GCC technical regulation is concerned with chilled or frozen (cooked and uncooked), smoked or unsmoked poultry meat sausages and does not include dried or canned sausages.</i>	60 days from notification
	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/QAT/391</a>	Biscuits products and wafers  <i>This draft of GCC technical regulation is concerned with biscuits products and wafers, which specifies the definitions of the product, and the quality requirements, sampling, methods of testing, transportation, storage and labelling. Biscuits for dietary use not included.</i>	60 days from notification
	10/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/QAT/392</a>	Infant formula  <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with to infant formula as a powder or liquid in order to use in the special nutritional medical purposes for infants after birth to 12 months.</i>	60 days from notification
KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SAU/854</a>	Biscuits and wafers  <i>This draft technical regulation applies to the requirements of all biscuits and wafers except that for special nutritional purposes, including the labelling requirements and method of testing.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SAU/855</a>	Vitamins and minerals permitted for use in foodstuff  <i>This draft technical regulation applies to vitamins and minerals permitted for use in foodstuffs.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SAU/856</a>	Chilled or frozen (cooked and uncooked), smoked or unsmoked poultry meat sausages  <i>This draft technical regulation applies to chilled or frozen (cooked and uncooked), smoked or unsmoked poultry meat sausages, and does not include dried or canned sausages.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
SINGAPORE	09/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SGP/24</a>	Miscellaneous products  <i>Environmental Protection and Management Act (EPMA)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NEA is proposing for an inclusion of the Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) in six Electrical and Electronic Equipment (EEE) under the Second Schedule of the existing EPMA).</li> </ul>	60 days from the date of notification

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THAILAND	06/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/THA/461</a>	Wastes  <i>The Draft Act of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment and Other End-of-Life Products</i>	60 days from notification
	10/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/THA/462</a>	Motor compressors  <i>Draft Thai Industrial Standard for Motor-Compressors: Safety Requirement (TIS 812-2558)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI) has proposed to replace TIS 812-2548(2005) Motor -Compressors: Safety Requirement with TIS 812-2558 as a mandatory standard.</i></li> </ul>	60 days from the circulation date
	10/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/THA/463</a>	A.C. electric fans  <i>Draft Thai Industrial Standard for A.C. Electric Fans - Safety Requirements</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI) has proposed to replace TIS 934-2533 (2005) A.C. Electric Fans - Safety Requirements with TIS 934-25XX as a mandatory standard.</i></li> </ul>	60 days from the circulation date
TURKEY	06/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TUR/65</a>	Feed additives  <i>Communiqué on Detailed Rules as regards the Preparation and the Presentation of Applications for the Assessment and the Authorisation of Feed Additives.</i>	30 July 2015
	08/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TUR/66</a>	Food supplements  <i>The purpose of this Communiqué is to determine the essential composition and labelling rules of food supplements.</i>	31 August 2015
SOUTH AFRICA	08/07/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/190</a>	Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, preserved or cooked  <i>Regulations regarding the grading, packing and marking of eggs destined for sale in the Republic of South Africa</i>	60 days from notification