



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 fourteen (14) WTO Members from Asia, Europe, Africa, North and South America are listed.

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

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You can expect that, at BPS, we aim HIGH!

LIST OF WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (06—12 FEBRUARY 2016)

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
CANADA	12/02/2016	G/TBT/N/CAN/458/Add.1	Tobacco products – Addendum <i>Schedule 2 of Bill 45, the Making Healthier Choices Act, amended the Smoke-Free Ontario Act to ban the sale of flavoured tobacco products</i>	—
	10/02/2016	G/TBT/N/CAN/468/Add.1	Medicinal ingredients for human use: Esomeprazole – Addendum <i>Notice of Consultation - Prescription Drug List (PDL): Esomeprazole –Notice of Intent to Amend as a result of consultation, Health Canada will switch certain uses of Esomeprazole to nonprescription status for human use by modifying the Human Prescription Drug List (PDL)</i>	—
	10/02/2016	G/TBT/N/CAN/469/Add.1	Medicinal ingredients for human use: Ibuprofen – Addendum <i>Notice of Consultation - Prescription Drug List (PDL): Ibuprofen –Notice of Intent to Amend as a result of consultation, Health Canada will switch certain uses of Ibuprofen to nonprescription status for human use by modifying the Human Prescription Drug List (PDL).</i>	—

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COSTA RICA	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/CRI/155	Plastic packaging <i>Costa Rican Technical Regulation (RTCR) No. 480:2015: Plastic packaging. Food-grade recycled polyethylene terephthalate (rPET) packaging intended to come into contact with food. Specifications</i>	60 days from the date of notification
ECUADOR	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ECU/184/Add.3	Gas water heaters – Addendum <i>Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that the first revision (1R) of Technical Regulation (RTE) No. 109 "Safety and thermal efficiency of gas water heaters" of the Ecuadorian Standardization Institute (INEN)</i>	—
	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ECU/275/Add.1	Tankless electric instantaneous water heaters – Addendum <i>Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Technical Regulation (RTE) No. 247 "Safety and energy efficiency requirements for tankless electric instantaneous water heaters" of the Ecuadorian Standardization Institute (INEN), has been issued pursuant to Resolution No. 16 046</i>	—
EGYPT	12/02/2016	G/TBT/N/EGY/116	Road vehicles <i>Ministerial Decree no. 692 /2015 mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 7799/2014</i>	60 days from the date of the notification
EUROPEAN UNION	11/02/2016	G/TBT/N/EU/349	Nutrition and health claims made on foods <i>Draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 432/2012 establishing a list of permitted 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
	11/02/2016	G/TBT/N/EU/350	Hazardous mixtures <i>Draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures by adding an Annex on harmonised information relating to emergency health response</i>	60 days from notification

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	12/02/2016	G/TBT/N/EU/351	Food <i>Draft Commission Regulation refusing to authorise a health claim made on foods and referring to children's development and health</i>	60 days from notification
	12/02/2016	G/TBT/N/EU/352	Food <i>Draft Commission Regulation authorising a health claim made on foods and referring to children's development and health</i>	60 days from notification
	12/02/2016	G/TBT/N/EU/353	Cosmetics <i>Draft Commission Regulation amending Annexes II and V to Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on cosmetic products</i>	60 days from notification
GUATEMALA	08/02/2016	G/TBT/N/GTM/87	Active ingredients and agrochemical products <i>Decree No. 5-2010, Law on the registration of agrochemical products, Central American Official Journal No. 82 of 26 February 2010</i>	—
	08/02/2016	G/TBT/N/GTM/88	Agrochemical products <i>Government Decision No. 343-2010, Implementing Regulation of the Law on the registration of agrochemical products</i>	—
	08/02/2016	G/TBT/N/GTM/89	Fertilizer <i>Government Decision No. 342-2010 . Fertilizer Regulations governing the registration , amendment of products and related products to the Ministry of Agriculture , Livestock and Food</i>	—
INDONESIA	10/02/2016	G/TBT/N/IDN/103	Information technology products <i>Regulation of Minister of Communication and Information Technology No. 27 Year 2015 concerning Technical Requirements for Long Term Evolution Technology based Telecommunication Devices</i>	60 days from notification
ISRAEL	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/854	Child restraint devices for motor vehicles <i>SI 1107 - Child restraint devices for motor vehicles</i>	60 days from notification

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	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/855	Mobile elevating work platforms <i>SI 5697 - Mobile elevating work platforms - Design calculations - Stability criteria - Construction - Safety - Examinations and tests</i>	30 days from notification
	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/856	Gold articles <i>SI 299 - Testing and marking of gold articles</i>	60 days from notification
	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/857	Textile carpets <i>SI 636 - Textile carpets</i>	60 days from notification
	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/858	Electrodes for welding <i>SI 1339 - Covered electrodes for welding of stainless and heat-resisting steels</i>	60 days from notification
	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/859	Hand-held motor-operated electric tools <i>SI 60745 part 1 Amendment 2 - Hand-held motor-operated electric tools - Safety: General requirements</i>	60 days from notification
	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/860	Connecting devices for low-voltage circuits <i>SI 60998 part 2.3 - Connecting devices for low-voltage circuits for household and similar purposes: Particular requirements for connecting devices as separate entities with insulation-piercing clamping units</i>	60 days from notification
	10/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/861	Baby bouncers <i>SI 14036 - Child use and care articles - Baby bouncers - Safety requirements and test methods</i>	60 days from notification
	10/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/862	Drinking water treatment systems <i>SI 1505 part 2 - Drinking water treatment systems: reverse osmosis systems</i>	60 days from notification
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	08/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KOR/626	Food, health functional food, livestock products except for imported beef <i>Proposed Revision of the "Standard for Food and Functional health food traceability"</i>	40 days from notification

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MEXICO	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/MEX/293/Add.2	<p>Medicaments – Addendum</p> <p>Mexican Official Standard NOM-059-SSA1-2015 "Good manufacturing practices for medicinal products" – The replies to the comments received during the public consultation period were published on 13 January 2016 and the final version of this Mexican Official Standard was published on 5 February 2016.</p>	–
	09/02/2016	G/TBT/N/MEX/294/Add.2	<p>Pharmaceutical products– Addendum</p> <p>Mexican Official Standard NOM-164-SSA1-2015 "Good manufacturing practices for pharmaceutical products" – The replies to the comments received regarding this draft Standard were published on 13 January 2016</p>	–
KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	08/02/2016	G/TBT/N/SAU/915	<p>Processes in the food industry</p> <p>Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-164-SSA1-2015: Good manufacturing practices for pharmaceutical products</p>	30 days from the date of circulation
	08/02/2016	G/TBT/N/SAU/916	<p>Toiletries</p> <p>The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia "Cosmetic Products Act"</p>	30 days from the date of circulation
UGANDA	08/02/2016	G/TBT/N/UGA/531	<p>Miscellaneous products</p> <p>Uganda National Bureau of Standards (Import Inspection and Clearance) Regulations, 2015</p>	60 days from notification
UKRAINE	08/02/2016	G/TBT/N/UKR/106	<p>Electrical and electronic equipments</p> <p>The Draft Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine "On Approval of the Technical Regulation on the Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment"</p>	60 days from notification
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	12/02/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1068	<p>Transmission systems and television and radio broadcasting</p> <p>Accessibility of User Interfaces, and Video Programming Guides and Menus</p>	24 February 2016
	12/02/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1069	<p>Recreational vehicles</p> <p>Manufactured Home Procedural and Enforcement Regulations; Revision of Exemption for Recreational Vehicles</p>	11 April 2016

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	12/02/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1070	<i>Chemical and compressed gasses</i> <i>Protection of Stratospheric Ozone:</i> <i>Revisions to Reporting and Record-</i> <i>keeping for Imports and Exports</i>	10 March 2016