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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 notified 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.

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A total of 51 notifications on Chemicals, Domestic and Commercial Equipment, Entertainment, Sports, Food and Beverages, Petroleum and Related Technologies, Textile and Leather Technologies, etc., from Brazil, Egypt, European Union, Uganda, United States of America and other countries 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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List of WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (01 - 07 September 2018)

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AGRICULTURE					
TOBACCO, TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/1/Add.4	Tobacco, tobacco products and related equipment - Addendum <i>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 403/2018 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 2063 "essential requirements and descriptive criteria of Fruit Flavored Meassel Tobacco" (1 page, in Arabic) .</i>	—
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EU/597	Pesticides - Mepanipyrim <i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation provides that the approval of the active substance mepanipyrim is renewed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009. It is, however, necessary to include certain conditions and restrictions</i>	60 days from notification

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				<p><i>In particular, only the use in greenhouses can be approved. Existing authorised plant protection products containing mepanipyrim will be amended or withdrawn from the market. The restriction of approval is based on the first evaluation of the substance for use as a pesticide active substance in the EU under Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009. The substance was formerly approved under Directive 91/414/ EEC.</i></p> <p><i>This regulation only concerns the placing on the market of this substance and does not affect the Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) for residues of the concerned pesticide.</i></p>	
CHEMICALS					
SURFACE ACTIVE AGENTS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/200	<p>Synthetic detergents powder</p> <p><i>The Ministerial Decree No. 478/2018 gives the producers and importers a one-year transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 4900 which specifies the requirements for non-liquid industrial detergents (powders), which are used for washing textiles and garments by hand and automatic.</i></p> <p><i>Worth mentioning is that this standard is identical with EEC 59/92, EEC 405/73, EEC 242/82, EEC 542/89, EEC 379/88.</i></p>	60 days from notification
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1392/Add.1	<p>Chemical substances - Addendum</p> <p><i>EPA is promulgating significant new use rules (SNURs) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for 10 chemical substances which were the subject of premanufacture notices (PMNs) . The chemical substances are subject to Orders issued by EPA pursuant to section 5 (e) of TSCA. This action requires persons who intend to manufacture (defined by statute to include import) or process any of these 10 chemical substances for an activity that is designated as a significant new use by this rule to notify EPA at least 90 days before commencing that activity. The required notification initiates EPA's evaluation of the intended use within the applicable review period. Persons may not commence manufacture or processing for the significant new use until EPA has conducted a review of the notice, made an appropriate determination on the notice, and has taken such actions as are required with that determination.</i></p>	26 September 2018
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1393/Add.1	<p>Chemical substances - Addendum</p> <p><i>EPA is promulgating significant new use rules (SNURs) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for 19 chemical substances which were the subject of premanufacture notices</i></p>	26 September 2018

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				<p>The chemical substances are subject to Orders issued by EPA pursuant to section 5(e) of TSCA. This action requires persons who intend to manufacture (defined by statute to include import) or process any of these 19 chemical substances for an activity that is designated as a significant new use by this rule to notify EPA at least 90 days before commencing that activity. The required notification initiates EPA's evaluation of the intended use within the applicable review period. Persons may not commence manufacture or processing for the significant new use until EPA has conducted a review of the notice, made an appropriate determination on the notice, and has taken such actions as are required with that determination.</p>	
CLOTHING INDUSTRY					
FOOTWEAR	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/191	<p>Sports shoes</p> <p>The Ministerial Decree No.477/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 3572 which specifies the general requirements and specifications for sports shoes of all types and its parts, made of natural leather, industrial alternatives or fabric, or a mixture thereof, with natural leather soles or other alternatives. This standard does not include armed forces, police or protective footwear.</p> <p>Worth mentioning is that this standard is identical with JIS S 5050.</p>	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING					
SANITARY INSTALLATIONS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/199	<p>Sanitary installations</p> <p>The Ministerial Decree No. 478/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 8154 which specifies the minimum requirements for household taps, showerheads and showers which are mainly used to derive water for personal hygiene, cleaning, cooking and drinking, including when they are marketed for non- domestic use.</p> <p>Worth mentioning is that this standard complies with the Ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for sanitary tap ware (notified under document C(2013) 2826) (Text with EEA relevance) (2013/250/EU) and The European water label industry scheme.</p>	60 days from notification
WATER HEATING EQUIPMENT	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/201	<p>Water heating equipment</p> <p>This Draft standard specifies the requirements of energy efficiency for electric instantaneous water, that aims to conserve the electrical energy consumption and improve the</p>	60 days from notification

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				<p>environmental conditions through reducing the emission of harmful gases which are produced as a result of the over consumption of the energy.</p> <p>This standard applies to electric instantaneous water with a rated heat output ≤ 70 kW and not applies to:</p> <p>(a) electric instantaneous water specifically designed for using gaseous or liquid fuels predominantly produced from biomass;</p> <p>(b) electric instantaneous water using solid fuels.</p> <p>Worth mentioning is that this standard complies with Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 812/2013.</p>	
WATER HEATING EQUIPMENT	MÉXICO	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/MEX/317/Add.3	<p>Solar water heaters - Addendum</p> <p>The publication of the Official Mexican Standard NOM-027-ENER / SCFI-2018 is reported.</p> <p>Thermal performance, gas savings and safety requirements of solar water heaters and the solar water heaters with backrest from a water heater that uses as L.P. gas fuel or natural gas. Specifications, test methods and labeling.</p>	—
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT, ENTERTAINMENT, SPORTS					
KITCHEN FURNITURE	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/57/Add.2	<p>Kitchen equipment - Addendum</p> <p>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 5492 "Domestic and kitchen storage units and worktops. Safety requirements and test methods".</p> <p>It should be noted that Ministerial Decrees No. 134/2014 (2 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/57 dated 6 May 2014, and ministerial decree No. 241/2016 (4 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/57/Add.1 dated 12 August 2016, mandated among others the earlier versions of this Egyptian Standard.</p>	—
DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES IN GENERAL	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/157/Add.3	<p>Household and similar electrical appliances - Addendum</p> <p>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the following Egyptian standards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ES 6000-1 "Household refrigerating appliances - Characteristics and test methods - Part 1: General requirements" (133 pages, in English) . 	—

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ES 6000-2 "Household refrigerating appliances - Characteristics and test methods - Part 2: Performance requirements" (90 pages, in English) . ES 6000-3 "household refrigerating appliances - characteristics and test methods- Part 3: Energy consumption and volume" (108 pages, in Arabic) <p>It should be noted that Ministerial Decree No. 241/2016 (3 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/157 dated 15 August 2016, mandated among others the earlier versions of these Egyptian Standards.</p>	
CLEANING APPLIANCES	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/173/Add.1	<p>Vacuum cleaners - Addendum</p> <p>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 8057 "Energy efficiency of household electrical Appliances Methods for measuring and calculating Energy Efficiency of vacuum cleaners" (17 pages, in Arabic) .</p> <p>It should be noted that Ministerial Decrees No. 1002/2017 (3 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/173 dated 10 January 2018, mandated among others the earlier version of this Standard.</p>	—
DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES IN GENERAL	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/178/Add.1	<p>Refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers and freezers - Addendum</p> <p>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 3794 "Energy Efficiency of Household and Similar Electrical Appliances Measurement And Calculation Methods For Energy Consumption Of Refrigerators, Refrigerator-Freezers And Freezers" (17 pages, in Arabic)</p> <p>It should be noted that Ministerial Decrees No. 612/2007 which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/178 dated 11 January 2018, mandated among others the earlier version of this Standard.</p>	—
EQUIPMENT FOR CHILDREN	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/190	<p>Wheeled child conveyances</p> <p>This Draft standard specifies the safety requirements and test methods for wheeled child conveyances, designed for the carriage of one or more children, up to 15 kg each and additional 20 kg on any integrated platform on which a child can stand.</p> <p>Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical with EN 1888/2012.</p>	60 days from notification

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MISCELLANEOUS DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/195	<p>Caps for writing and marking instruments</p> <p><i>The Ministerial Decree No. 478/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 8165 which specifies requirements to reduce the risk of asphyxiation from caps for writing and marking instruments. It relates to such instruments which in normal or foreseeable circumstances are likely to be used by children up to the age of 14 years.</i></p>	60 days from notification
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
LAMPS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/562/Add.2	<p>Street light fixtures for discharge and LED lamps - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum aims at informing that the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - Inmetro issued Ordinance 404, 23 August 2018 (Portaria N° 404, de 23 de Agosto de 2018) which extends for 6 (six) months the period of vacancy set forth in the caput of art. 15 of Ordinance Inmetro 20/2017 (Technical Regulation for light fixtures/light fitting/luminaire for Public Road Lighting) which establishes the mandatory compliance requirements, regarding the performance and safety of the product, considering the revision of the standard ABNT NBR 51012012 that served as the basis for the regulation, which may lead to a shortage of the market.</i></p>	—
SWITCHGEAR AND CONTROLGEAR	ECUADOR	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/ECU/263/Add.2	<p>Programmable controllers and associated equipment - Addendum</p> <p><i>In accordance with the provisions of Article 2, paragraph 2.9.2 of the Agreement on Obstacles WTO Trade Technicians and Articles 11 of Decision 827 and 2 of Decision 615 of the Andean Community, The Republic of Ecuador hereby kindly notifies the project of the First Review of the Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN 231 (1R) "Controllers programs and associated equipment ", the Project has a period of receipt of observations and comments until October 26, 2018, to continue with the process of officialization</i></p>	26 October 2018
ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING					
SOLAR ENERGY ENGINEERING	BRAZIL	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/456/Add.3	<p>Systems and equipment for water heating using solar energy - Addendum</p> <p><i>This document aims at informing that the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - INMETRO, issued Ordinance 229, 23 August 2018 (Portaria Inmetro 229, de 23 de Agosto de 2018), concerning the adjustments and clarifications to the regulation of Flat Solar Collector, established in the Annexes to</i></p>	—

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				<i>Ordinance amending the Technical Quality Requirements approved by Ordinance 301/2012 (Portaria Inmetro 301/2012) previously notified under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/456/Add.1 , and the Conformity Assessment Procedures approved by Ordinance 352/2012 (Portaria Inmetro 352/2012) previously notified under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/461/Add.1.</i>	
SOLAR ENERGY ENGINEERING	BRAZIL	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/461/Rev.1/Add.3	Systems and equipment for water heating using solar energy - Addendum <i>This document aims at informing that the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - INMETRO, issued Ordinance 229, 23 August 2018 (Portaria Inmetro 229, de 23 de Agosto de 2018), concerning the adjustments and clarifications to the regulation of Flat Solar Collector, established in the Annexes to this Ordinance amending the Technical Quality Requirements approved by Ordinance 301/2012 (Portaria Inmetro 301/2012) previously notified under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/456/Add.1 , and the Conformity Assessment Procedures approved by Ordinance 352/2012 (Portaria Inmetro 352/2012) previously notified under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/461/Add.1.</i>	—
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH PROTECTION, SAFETY					
ALARM AND WARNING SYSTEMS	UNITED STATES	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1227/Add.2	Emergency alert system - Addendum <i>In this document, the Commission announces that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved, the information collection associated with the Commission's a Wireless Emergency Alert Second Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration (WEA Second R&O) . The WEA Second R&O defines "in whole" or "in part" Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) participation; specifies the difference between these elections; and requires Commercial Mobile Service (CMS) Providers to update their election status and provide enhanced disclosure to subscribers at the point of sale. This document is consistent with the WEA Second R&O, which states that the Commission would publish a document in the Federal Register announcing the effective date of those rules.</i>	—
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	UNITED STATES	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1394/Add.1	Motor vehicles - Addendum <i>EPA and NHTSA are announcing public hearings to be held for the joint proposed "Safer Affordable Fuel-Efficient (SAFE) Vehicles Rule for Model Years 2021-2026 Passenger Cars and Light Trucks," (SAFE Vehicles Rule) issued on 2 August 2018.</i>	—

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				<i>NHTSA will also accept comment on NHTSA's Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS), available on NHTSA's website at www.nhtsa.gov/corporate-average-fuel-economy/safe. Three hearings will be held, on 24 September, 25 September, and 26 September 2018. The agencies will assume that all oral comments presented at the hearing are addressed to the joint proposed rules only, unless speakers specifically reference NHTSA's Draft EIS in oral or written testimony.</i>	
FLUID SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE					
VENTILATORS, FANS, AIR-CONDITIONERS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/68/Add.5	Air conditioners - Addendum <i>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 3795-2 "Energy efficiency label requirements for air conditioners - Part: 2 - variable capacity Room air conditioner (window - split) with variable speed compressor" (19 pages, in Arabic) . It should be noted that Ministerial Decrees No. 180/2013 (3 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/68 dated 3 June 2014, and ministerial decree no. 1307/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/68/Add.4 dated 21 February 2018, mandated among others the earlier versions of Egyptian Standard ES 3795.</i>	—
PIPES AND FITTINGS OF OTHER MATERIALS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/198	Pipes and fittings of other materials <i>The Ministerial Decree No. 478/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 958-1 which is concerned with the general requirements of reinforced concrete pipes without internal pressure, which are used for agricultural irrigation and drainage, sanitary drainage, industrial and rainwater, as well as for the construction of similar purposes. Worth mentioning is that this standard is identical with ASTM C76/2015.</i>	60 days from notification
FOOD AND BEVERAGES					
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	BRAZIL	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/826/Add.2	Organic production - Addendum <i>This addendum aims to inform that the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Supply (MAPA) issued Ordinance 216, 22 August, 2018 (Portaria SMC Nº 216, 22 August, 2018), published in Official Gazette 164, 24 August 2018, extending for 60 days as from 24 August 2018. the deadline established by</i>	—

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				<i>Ordinance 162, 21 June, 2018 (Portaria SMC 162, 21 de Junho de 2018) for comments on the sampling plan of the National Control of Residues and Contaminants in Animal Products, approved by Ordinance 20 of 26 July 2018 (G/ TBT/N/BRA/826/Add.1) .</i>	
MILK AND PROCESSED MILK PRODUCTS	CHILE	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/CHL/458	Labeling of milk and dairy products <i>The notified bill aims at amending the Sanitary Code contained in the Decree-Law No. 725 of 1967 of the Ministry of Health, and its amendments, by the addition of new Articles 105a, 105b and 105c.</i>	60 days from the notification
FRUITS AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	COSTA RICA	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/CRI/180	Dry onion <i>This technical regulation aims to define the quality characteristics, packaging and labeling of national or imported dried onion, that is intended for human consumption in the country. Likewise, it applies to the dried onion that it is sold in the national market, both pre-packaged and in bulk, regardless of whether it is produced domestically or imported.</i>	60 days from the notification
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/34/Add.3	Food products - Canned shrimps and canned crab meat - Addendum <i>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 403/2018 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 131 "Dehydrated Onion" (10 pages, in Arabic) . It should be noted that Ministerial Decrees No. 93/2013 (4 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/34 dated 30 April 2013, mandated among others the earlier version of the Egyptian Standard. Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical with ISO 5559/ 2012 for Dehydrated Onion (Allium cepa Linnaeus) Specification. Producers and importers are kept informed of any amendments in the Egyptian standard through the publication of administrative orders in the official gazette.</i>	—
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/34/Add.4	Food products - Canned shrimps and canned crab meat - Addendum <i>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 403/2018 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 4883 "Dry pulses" (19 pages, in Arabic) .</i>	—

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				<p><i>It should be noted that Ministerial Decrees No. 93/2013 (4 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/34 dated 30 April 2013, mandated among others the earlier version of the Egyptian Standard.</i></p> <p><i>Worth mentioning is that this standard is identical with Australian pulse standards 2011/2012 Codex stand 171-1989 (Rev.1-1995)- For Certain pulses Codex Alimentarius.</i></p> <p><i>Producers and importers are kept informed of any amendments in the Egyptian standard through the publication of administrative orders in the official gazette.</i></p>	
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/91/Add.1	<p>Cream cheese - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 403/2018 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 1008-2/2018 "Soft cheese - part : 2 Cream cheese" (10 pages, in Arabic) .</i></p> <p><i>It should be noted that Ministerial Decree No. 515/2005 (10 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/2 dated 14 December 2005 and G/TBT/N/EGY/91 dated 21 August 2015 mandated among others the earlier version of this Standard.</i></p>	—
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/92/Add.2	<p>Mould ripened-blue cheese - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 403/2018 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 1183-2/2018 "Semi - hard cheese part: 2 Mould ripened - blue cheese" (9 pages, in Arabic) .</i></p> <p><i>It should be noted that Ministerial Decrees No. 515/2005 (10 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/2 dated 14 December 2005 and G/TBT/N/EGY/92 dated 21 August 2015 mandated among others the earlier version of this Standard.</i></p>	—
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	SOUTH AFRICA	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/ZAF/48/Rev.2	<p>Regulations relating to the labelling of alcoholic beverages - Revision</p> <p><i>The proposed regulations amend current composition, production and labelling regulations of the Liquor Products Act for wine, liqueur and spirits. Amendments to allowed grape varieties and certification procedures relating to wine certified for origin under the Wine of Origin Scheme.</i></p> <p><i>Imported concentrated must used in wine to be declared on the label, new grape varieties allowed for wine production, Alternative Rose</i></p>	60 days from notification

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				added as a wine class, egg to be added for use in the production of a liqueur, addition of tannin and Potassium Polyaspartate, definitions for single malt whisky and blended malt whisky, submission of vineyard status returns to be compulsory for local wine producers and indication of varieties on a label to bring legislation in line with international agreements.	
GLASS AND CERAMICS INDUSTRIES					
GLASS IN BUILDING	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/192	<p>Glass in building</p> <p>The Ministerial Decree No.477/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standards ES 7854-2 and ES 7854-3 which specify the requirements and test methods related to artificial weathering, abrasion and resistance to solar radiation for coated glass for use in buildings.</p> <p>Worth mentioning is that these standards are identical with EN 1096-2/2012 and EN 1096-3/2012.</p>	60 days from notification
PAPER TECHNOLOGY					
PAPER AND BOARD	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/3/Add.14	<p>Chemical, textile and engineering products - Glass in building - Addendum</p> <p>This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the following Egyptian standards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ES 1948-5 "Glass in building - Laminated glass and laminated safety glass - Part 5: Dimensions and edge finishing" (12 pages, in Arabic), ES 1948-6 " Glass in building - Laminated glass and laminated safety glass - part 6: Appearance" (11 pages, in Arabic) . <p>It should be noted that Ministerial Decrees No. 423/2005 (25 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/3 dated 14 December 2005, mandated among others the earlier version of the Egyptian Standard ES 1948.</p> <p>Worth mentioning is that these standards are identical with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ISO 12543-5:2011. ISO 12543-6:2011. <p>Producers and importers are kept informed of any amendments in the Egyptian standards through the publication of administrative orders in the official gazette.</p>	—
PAPER AND BOARD	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/3/Add.15	<p>Chemical, textile and engineering products - Petroleum products in general - Addendum</p> <p>This addendum concerns the notification of</p>	—

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				<p><i>the Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 3479 "unleaded gasoline 80, 90, 92, 95 octane" (1 page, in Arabic) .</i></p> <p><i>It should be noted that Ministerial Decree No. 423/2005 (25 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/3 dated 14 December 2005 mandated among others the earlier version of this Standard.</i></p> <p><i>Worth mentioning is that this Egyptian standard has been partially modified in Item.5 (Physical and chemical properties), and it is identical with ASTM D 4814 / 2004.</i></p> <p><i>Producers and importers are kept informed of any amendments in the Egyptian standard through the publication of administrative orders in the official gazette.</i></p>	
PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES					
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND NATURAL GAS HANDLING EQUIPMENT	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/197	<p>Petroleum products and natural gas handling equipment</p> <p><i>The Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 4101 which covers the design, construction, operation, inspection and maintenance of stations for fuelling compressed natural gas (CNG) to vehicles, including equipment, safety and control devices.</i></p> <p><i>Worth mentioning is that this standard is identical with ISO 16923: 2016.</i></p>	60 days from notification
LUBRICANTS, INDUSTRIAL OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	05/09/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/372/Rev.1	<p>Engine oils - Revision</p> <p><i>This Draft Uganda Standard covers classification for crankcase engine oils, for automotive type internal combustion and spark-ignition engines, two stroke and four-stroke cycle motorcycle engines that employ a crankcase scavenging system.</i></p>	60 days from notification
LUBRICANTS, INDUSTRIAL OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	05/09/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/373/Rev.1	<p>Spark ignition (petrol) engines</p> <p><i>This Draft Uganda Standard specifies performance requirements, sampling and test methods for spark ignition engine oil of passenger cars, light duty trucks, vans and related equipment meeting or exceeding API service category SJ. It does not cover engine oil for compression ignition engines, aviation equipment, outboard motors, lawn mowers, railroad locomotives or ocean going vessels.</i></p>	60 days from notification
LUBRICANTS, INDUSTRIAL OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	05/09/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/374/Rev.1	<p>Compression- ignition (diesel) - Revision</p> <p><i>This Draft Uganda standard specifies requirements and test methods for light and heavy</i></p>	60 days from notification

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				<i>super-charged compression-ignition engines, meeting or exceeding API Service Category CH-4. It does not cover engine oil for spark ignition engines, aviation equipment, outboard motors, lawn mowers, railroad, locomotives, industrial and marine application.</i>	
LUBRICANTS, INDUSTRIAL OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	05/09/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/375/Rev.1	Engine oils - Revision <i>This Draft Uganda Standard specifies performance requirements and test methods for four-stroke cycle spark ignition engines employing a common sump containing the lubricating oil for both the engine and associated drive train (transmission, clutch, starter) of motorcycles, motor scooters, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and related equipment.</i>	60 days from notification
LUBRICANTS, INDUSTRIAL OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	05/09/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/920	Internal combustion engine oils <i>This Draft Uganda standard specifies requirements and test methods for motorcycle engine oils for two-stroke cycle spark ignition gasoline engines that employ a crankcase scavenging system and are used in transportation and leisure applications. This Standard specifies the performance classification of two-stroke cycle gasoline engine oils based on the API classification, JASO and ISO classifications.</i>	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
BUSES	ECUADOR	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/ECU/47/Add.6	School transport vehicles - Addendum <i>In accordance with the provisions of Article 2, paragraph 2.9.2 of the Agreement on Obstacles WTO Trade Technicians and Articles 11 of Decision 827 and 2 of Decision 615 of the Andean Community, The Republic of Ecuador hereby kindly notifies the Project of the Modification 3 of the Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN 041 (2R) "Transport vehicles commercial school and institutional passengers, "the Modification Project has a period of receipt of comments and comments until October 30, 2018, for later continue with the formalization process, to continue with the formalization process.</i>	—
BUSES	ECUADOR	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/ECU/58/Add.6	Urban bus - Addendum <i>In accordance with the provisions of Article 2, paragraph 2.9.2 of the Agreement on Obstacles WTO Trade Technicians and Articles 11 of Decision 827 and 2 of Decision 615 of the Andean Community, The Republic of Ecuador hereby kindly notifies the Project of Modification 5 of the Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN 038 (2R) "Transport vehicles Intracantonal passenger public, "the</i>	—

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				<i>Modification Project has a period of receipt of observations and comments until October 30, 2018, to continue with the formalization process., to continue with the process of officialization.</i>	
RUBBER AND PLASTIC INDUSTRIES					
OTHER RUBBER AND PLASTICS PRODUCTS	KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/BHR/546	<p>Degradable plastics products</p> <p><i>Ministry of Industry, Commerce & Tourism with Supreme Council for Environment are in process to establish a National Technical Regulation (TR) to phase out import, sale or distribution of non-degradable plastic products. The proposed TR sets all the requirements in terms of specifications, licences, labeling scheme, economic operators obligations, and other requirements for the products subject to TR.</i></p>	60 days from notification
OTHER RUBBER AND PLASTICS PRODUCTS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/196	<p>Rubber gloves for medical use</p> <p><i>The Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 1595-1 which specifies the requirements for packaged sterile rubber gloves intended for use in surgical procedures to protect the patient and the user from cross-contamination. It is applicable to single-use gloves that are worn once and then discarded. It does not apply to examination or procedure gloves. It covers gloves with smooth surfaces and gloves with textured surfaces over part or the whole glove.</i></p> <p><i>This Standard is intended as a reference for the performance and safety of rubber surgical gloves. The safe and proper usage of surgical gloves and sterilization procedures with subsequent handling, packaging, and storage procedures are outside the scope of this Standard.</i></p>	60 days from notification
SERVICES, COMPANY ORGANIZATION, MANAGEMENT AND QUALITY, ADMINISTRATION, TRANSPORT, SOCIOLOGY					
PRODUCT AND COMPANY CERTIFICATION, CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT	KENYA	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/KEN/722	<p>All imported products</p> <p><i>This regulation lays down the process to be followed for inspection of imported goods.</i></p>	N/A
PRODUCT AND COMPANY CERTIFICATION, CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT	KENYA	03/09/2018	G/TBT/N/KEN/723	<p>All imported goods</p> <p><i>This public notice covers the process to be followed to acquire Interim Import Standardization Mark (ISM) for inspection of imported goods.</i></p>	N/A

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
OTHER AUDIO, VIDEO AND AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/156/Add.2	Television - Addendum <i>This addendum concerns the notification of Draft of Egyptian standard ES 7993 "energy efficiency for television" (23 pages, in Arabic) . It should be noted that Ministerial Decree No.243/2016 (3 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/156 dated 15 August 2016, mandated among others the earlier version of this Standard.</i>	—
TEXTILE AND LEATHER TECHNOLOGY					
LEATHER AND FURS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/193	Leather products <i>The Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 7322 which specifies the basic specifications for the health and safety of products made of all kinds of raw materials, whether natural leather, industrial alternatives, synthetic leather, polymers, fabric, or a mixture of them. Worth mentioning is that this standard is identical with Commission Regulation (EC) No 552/2009 Amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006.</i>	60 days from notification
LEATHER AND FURS	EGYPT	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/EGY/194	Footwear and its parts <i>The Ministerial Decree No.477/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 3571 which specifies the general requirements and specifications for all types of foot shoes of all types, all kinds and their parts. Worth mentioning is that this standard is identical with JIS S 5050.</i>	60 days from notification
PRODUCTS OF THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY	UGANDA	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/417/Add.1	Mosquito nets <i>Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that in the Standard notified in G/TBT/N/UGA/417 , the Parameter for Denier of polyethylene in Table 1 on page 3 was changed to 100 ± 2.</i>	—
TEXTILE FABRICS	UGANDA	04/09/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/919	Disposable baby diapers <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies the requirements and test methods for disposable baby diapers.</i>	60 days from notification