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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 54 notifications on Construction Materials and Building, Domestic and Commercial Equipment, Entertainment, and Sports, Electrical Engineering, Food Technology, Road Vehicles Engineering, etc., from Argentina, Chile, European Union, Montenegro, Tanzania, the United States, 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 (20 - 26 July 2019)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
FARMING AND FORESTRY	EUROPEAN UNION	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/EU/670	Raw and processed agricultural and aquaculture products from organic <i>This draft Commission implementing Regulation concerns a modification of the lists of authorized inputs to be used for organic production.</i>	60 days from notification
FARMING AND FORESTRY	EUROPEAN UNION	24/07/2019	G/TBT/N/EU/671	Organic products <i>Delegated Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2018/848 on detailed production rules of organic products laying down additional production rules on different product categories.</i>	60 days from notification

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CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY					
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	JAPAN	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/JPN/628	Fluorocarbons <i>Establishment of the criteria under the Act on the Rational Use and Proper Management of Fluorocarbons.</i>	60 days from notification
CLOTHING INDUSTRY					
FOOTWEAR	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/5	Footwear <i>This Rulebook shall lay down labelling of the materials used in the main parts of footwear intended for sale to the consumers.</i>	—
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING					
CENTRAL HEATING SYSTEMS	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/6	Hot-water boilers fired with liquid or gaseous fuels <i>This rulebook prescribes the essential requirements relating to useful efficiency level, conformity assessment procedures and marking of hot-waterboilers fired with liquid or gaseous fuels with a rated output no more than 400kW.</i>	—
LIFTS. ESCALATORS	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/10	Lifts <i>This Rulebook sets out technical requirements relating to design, construction, installation and placing on the market and safety components in lifts, as well as the content of the declaration of conformity, technical documentation and conformity assessment procedures.</i>	—
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	TANZANIA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/TZA/297	Hydraulic road binders <i>This East African Standard applies to hydraulic road binders produced in a factory and supplied ready for use in road bases, sub-bases, capping layers, and soil stabilization or soil improvement.</i>	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	TANZANIA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/TZA/298	Bitumen and bituminous binders: penetration grade bitumen <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements and test methods for penetration graded bitumen suitable for pavement construction.</i>	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	TANZANIA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/TZA/299	Bitumen and bituminous binders : cutback bitumen <i>This East African Standard applies to bituminous materials and covers the requirements for cutback bitumen types suitable for road construction and similar purposes.</i>	60 days from notification

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CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	TANZANIA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/TZA/300	Bitumen and bituminous binders : anionic bitumen emulsion <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements and test methods of anionic bitumen emulsions suitable for pavement construction.</i>	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	TANZANIA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/TZA/301	Bitumen and bituminous binders : cationic bitumen emulsions <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements and test methods for cationic bitumen emulsions suitable for pavement construction</i>	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	TANZANIA	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/TZA/302	Bituminous binders : performance graded bitumen <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements and test methods for performance graded bitumen suitable for pavement construction .</i>	60 days from notification
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT. ENTERTAINMENT. SPORTS					
LAUNDRY APPLIANCES	CHILE	24/07/2019	G/TBT/N/CHL/488	Vertical steam irons <i>This protocol establishes the procedure for certification of vertical steam irons for domestic use of assigned voltage no greater than 250 V.</i>	60 days from notification
KITCHEN EQUIPMENT	CHILE	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/CHL/490	Household appliances for cooking that use gaseous fuels <i>This protocol establishes the procedure for certification for household appliances for cooking that uses fuel gaseous from a safety point of view.</i>	60 days from notification
KITCHEN EQUIPMENT	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/1	Appliances burning gaseous fuels <i>This rulebook prescribes technical requirements that have to fulfill by appliances burning gaseous fuels and that place on the market/ put into the use, conformity assessment procedures, conformity marking of appliances burning gaseous fuels.</i>	—
TOYS	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/15	Toys <i>This rulebook prescribes the requirements that have to fulfill by toys in terms of safety of children, conformity assessments procedures, conformity marking as well as other requirements.</i>	—

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TOYS	TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	26/07/2019	G/TBT/N/TTO/121	<p>Toys</p> <p><i>This standard establishes compulsory requirements for the migration of elements including antimony, arsenic, barium, cadmium, chromium, lead, mercury and selenium.</i></p>	60 days from notification
FURNITURE	UNITED STATES	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/564/Add.5	<p>Baby cribs - Addendum</p> <p><i>In December 2010, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) published a consumer product safety standard for full-size baby cribs (FS cribs).</i></p>	22 August 2019
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
GENERATORS	BRAZIL	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/BRA/880/Corr.1	<p>Ac generators (alternators) - Corrigendum</p> <p><i>The following communication, dated 19 July 2019, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Brazil.</i></p>	—
GALVANIC CELLS AND BATTERIES	COLOMBIA	26/07/2019	G/TBT/N/COL/228/Add.4	<p>Zinc-carbon and alkaline batteries - Addendum</p> <p><i>The document identified with the signature G/TBT/N/COL/228/Add.1, which is deferred from its entry into force until December 19, 2019, through Resolution 1222 of July 9, 2019.</i></p>	—
SUBSTATIONS. SURGE ARRESTERS	ISRAEL	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/ISR/1066	<p>Surge protective devices connected to low-voltage power systems</p> <p><i>The requirements of the existing standard, SI 61643 part 11, dealing with surge protective devices, shall be declared mandatory.</i></p>	60 days from notification
PRIMARY CELLS AND BATTERIES	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/KOR/848	<p>Primary batteries</p> <p><i>Button type primary batteries have been included in safety criteria of primary batteries.</i></p>	60 days from date of notification
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/11	<p>Electrical equipment intended for use within certain voltage limits</p> <p><i>This Rulebook prescribes essential requirements that have to fulfill by low voltage electrical equipment, the presumption of conformity, conformity assessment procedures as well as marking.</i></p>	—
ENVIRONMENT. HEALTH PROTECTION. SAFETY					
SAFETY OF MACHINERY	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/12	<p>Machinery</p> <p><i>This Rulebook prescribes: essential requirements related to designing and constructing of machinery for the purpose of protection of life, health and safety of people, domestic animals and protection of property.</i></p>	—

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FLUID SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE					
CYLINDERS	CHILE	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/CHL/491	Transportable and rechargeable LPG welded steel cylinders <i>This protocol establishes the procedure for certification for transportable and rechargeable LPG welded steel cylinders, between 4.5 and 120 liters, inclusive.</i>	60 days from notification
PRESSURE REGULATORS	CHILE	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/CHL/492	Pressure regulators for natural gas (GN), for pressures equal to or greater than 5 bar [...] less than or equal to 100 bar <i>This protocol establishes the procedure for certification for pressure regulators for natural gas (GN), for equal pressures or greater than 5 bar and less than or equal to 100.</i>	60 days from notification
PRESSURE REGULATORS	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/3	Pressure equipment <i>This rulebook sets out technical requirements for design, construction and conformity assessment of pressure equipment.</i>	—
PRESSURE VESSELS	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/14	Simple pressure vessels <i>This rulebook prescribes the requirements relating to design, construction and conformity assessment of pressure equipment, conformity assessment procedures, and conformity marking.</i>	—
FOOD TECHNOLOGY					
VEGETABLES	ARGENTINA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/ARG/370	Garlic <i>The project that is notified establishes the characteristics of identity and quality of garlic in natural after packaging.</i>	13 September 2019
VEGETABLES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	ARGENTINA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/ARG/371	Food casein <i>The project that is notified establishes the characteristics of identity and quality of food casein for human consumption.</i>	13 September 2019
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	CHILE	24/07/2019	G/TBT/N/CHL/413/Add.2	Food for human consumption - Addendum <i>It is informed that this was issued on 15 April 2019 by Decree No. 13, published on 03 July 2019 which will enter into force within six months of its publication.</i>	—
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	CHILE	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/CHL/489	Children's formulas for continuation and for over 12 months <i>This proposal aims to update and harmonize the article of the Sanitary Regulations of the Foods (RSA).</i>	60 days from notification

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FOOD TECHNOLOGY	COLOMBIA	26/07/2019	G/TBT/N/COL/238	Maximum sodium contents of food <i>The purpose of this technical regulation is to define the maximum sodium contents of processed foods.</i>	18 October 2019
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	INDIA	26/07/2019	G/TBT/N/IND/103	Laboratory and sample analysis <i>Food Safety and Standards (Laboratory and sample Analysis) Amendment Regulations related to approval of Rapid Analytical Food testing Kit, Equipment or Method</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	INDIA	26/07/2019	G/TBT/N/IND/104	Alcoholic beverages <i>The Food Safety and Standards (Alcoholic Beverages) Amendment Regulations, 2019 details the Requirements for Low Alcoholic Beverages other than wine and beer, provision for Geographical indicators, certain labelling requirement along with other requirements</i>	60 days from notification
PREPACKAGED AND PREPARED FOODS	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/13	Pre-packaged products <i>This rulebook prescribes metrological requirements that have to fulfil by quantities of pre-packaged products, marking the quantities, permitted tolerances of actual quantity relating to the level of indicated nominal quantity, list of indicated nominal quantities of pre-packaged products, size, shape and way of conformity mark of quantities of pre-packaged products.</i>	—
FRUITS. VEGETABLES	PARAGUAY	26/07/2019	G/TBT/N/PRY/111	Garlic <i>The draft Mercosur technical regulation establishes the characteristics of identity and quality of garlic in natural form after conditioning and packing.</i>	60 days from notification
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	PARAGUAY	26/07/2019	G/TBT/N/PRY/112	Food Casein <i>The draft resolution establishes the minimum requirements of quality and identity that the food casino intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
MILK AND PROCESSED MILK PRODUCTS	TURKEY	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/TUR/120/Add.1	Infant formula and follow-on formula - Addendum <i>The proposal notified in G/TBT/N/TUR/120 (19 July 2018) has been amended in terms of Vitamin D requirements for infant formula and erucic acid requirements for infant formula and follow on formula. This Communiqué will enter into force on 31 December 2021.</i>	—

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HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
PHARMACEUTICS	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/KOR/849	Quasi-drugs <i>The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS) of the Republic of Korea has amended the "Designated Scope of Quasi-Drugs" as stated below: - Maternity pads used to soak up postpartum bleeding and lochia (postpartum vaginal discharge) have been designated as quasi-drugs in Korea.</i>	60 days from notification
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT. PHYSICAL PHENOMENA					
MEASURING INSTRUMENTS	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/2	Measuring instruments <i>This rulebook prescribes technical and metrological requirements that have to fulfill by measuring instruments and systems with a measuring function placing on the market or put into the use.</i>	—
MEASUREMENT OF FORCE, WEIGHT AND PRESSURE	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/7	Non-automatic weighing instruments <i>This rulebook prescribes metrological and technical requirements have to fulfill by non-automatic weighing instruments placing on the market.</i>	—
PACKAGING AND DISTRIBUTION OF GOODS					
AEROSOL CONTAINERS	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/4	Aerosol dispensers <i>This rulebook prescribes technical requirements that have to fulfill by aerosol dispenser that place on the market.</i>	—
PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES					
LIQUID FUELS	TANZANIA	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/TZA/303	Automotive gasoline (premium motor spirit) <i>This Final Draft East African Standard specifies requirements and sampling and test methods for automotive gasoline, Premium Motor Spirit (PMS), also commonly known as petrol, for use in spark ignition engines, including those equipped with devices to reduce emitted pollutants.</i>	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	ARGENTINA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/ARG/359/Add.1	Used motor vehicles - Addendum <i>It is reported that Resolution SI No. 125/2019 replaces Annexes I and II of the Resolution YES N ° 26/2019 referred to the exceptions to the prohibition of nationalization of vehicles used cars, notified under signature G / TBT / N / ARG / 359.</i>	—

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ELECTRIC ROAD VEHICLES	ISRAEL	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/ISR/1067	Conductive charging of electric vehicles <i>The requirements of the existing standard, SI 62196 part 1, dealing with conductive charging of electric vehicles, shall be declared mandatory. This declaration is inline with the mandatory standardization objective to protect human safety.</i>	60 days from notification
ELECTRIC ROAD VEHICLES	ISRAEL	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/ISR/1068	Conductive charging of electric vehicles : dimensional compatibility and interchangeability and contact-tube accessories <i>The requirements of the existing standard, SI 62196 part 2, dealing with conductive charging of electric vehicles, shall be declared mandatory.</i>	60 days from notification
ELECTRIC ROAD VEHICLES	ISRAEL	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/ISR/1069	Conductive charging of electric vehicles : dimensional compatibility and interchangeability contact-tube vehicle couplers <i>The requirements of the existing standard, SI 62196 part 3, dealing with conductive charging of electric vehicles, shall be declared mandatory.</i>	60 days from notification
RUBBER AND PLASTIC INDUSTRIES					
ROAD VEHICLE TYRES	ARGENTINA	23/07/2019	G/TBT/N/ARG/38/Add.10	Auto parts and / or vehicle safety elements - Addendum <i>The Certificate of Approval of auto parts and/or security elements will process in accordance with the procedure provided in the resolution SI no. 91/2001 and Resolution no. 25/2007.</i>	—
TELECOMMUNICATIONS. AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY (EMC)	MONTE NEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/9	Electromagnetic compatibility <i>This Rulebook prescribes the requirements for electromagnetic compatibility that have to fulfill by equipment placed on the market.</i>	—
TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	UNITED STATES	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1094/Add.1	White space devices - Addendum <i>In the Report and Order, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) takes steps to improve the accuracy and reliability of fixed white space device data recorded in the white space databases and assure that the potential for these devices to cause interference to protected services is minimized.</i>	—

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RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS	UNITED STATES	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1507/Corr.1	Automatic dependent surveillance-broadcast (ADS-B) out equipment - Corrigendum <i>Please note the Final Date for Comments in Item 10 of the regular notification should read: 16 September 2019.</i>	—
TESTING					
TEST CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES IN GENERAL	UNITED STATES	25/07/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1491/Add.2	Test procedure interim waiver process - Addendum The comment period for the proposed rule published on 1 May 2019 (84 FR 18414) is reopened. DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this NOPR received no later than midnight on 6 August 2019, and deems any comments received prior to that date to be timely filed.	—
TEXTILE AND LEATHER TECHNOLOGY					
PRODUCTS OF THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY	MONTENEGRO	22/07/2019	G/TBT/N/MNE/8	Textile products <i>This Rulebook shall lay down the method of labelling and marking of textile products by means of the use of textile fibre names, affixing a label, marking of the fibre composition of textile products and textile products containing non-textile parts of animal origin, determining fibre composition of textile products by quantitative analysis of two-component and three-component mixtures of textile fibres.</i>	—