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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.

IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE

A total of 89 notifications on Chemicals, Domestic and Commercial Equipment, Entertainment, Sports, Environment, Health Protection, Safety, Food and Beverages, Road Vehicles Engineering etc., from China, Ecuador, Kenya, 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

We are glad to be of service to you!

List of WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (27 April - 03 May 2019)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
TOBACCO, TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	CHINA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1322	Electronic cigarette <i>This standard specifies the terms and definitions, technical requirements, test methods, packaging, identification, instructions, storage and transportation of electronic cigarette. This standard applies to electronic cigarette.</i>	60 days from notification
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	UNITED STATES	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1363/Add.1	Pesticides - Addendum <i>This final rule amends the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (National List) section of the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) organic regulations to implement recommendations submitted to the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary) by the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB) .</i>	—

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				<i>This rule adds elemental sulfur to the National List for use in organic livestock production and reclassifies potassium acid tartrate from a non - agricultural substance to an agricultural substance and requires the organic form of the ingredient when commercially available. This rule also corrects the amendatory instructions to ensure proper placement of the regulatory text.</i>	
CHEMICALS					
CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY	SWITZERLAND	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CHE/235	Chemical substances <i>New restrictions on the marketing on certain hazardous substances shall be introduced in several annexes of the Chemical Risk Reduction Ordinance (ORRChem) . The proposed provisions on decabromodiphenyl ether (DecaBDE), perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), its salts and precursors, certain phthalic acid esters (DEHP, DBP, DIBP, BBP) in articles, cyclotetrasiloxane (D4) and cyclopentasiloxane (D5) in cosmetics, nonylphenol ethoxylates (NPEOs) containing textiles, ammonium salts in cellulose insulation mixtures and methanol in windscreen fluids are in line with those recently adopted in the European Union in the framework of the REACH regulation.</i>	30 days from notification
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/874	Air freshener aerosols <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements, method of test and sampling for air fresheners in aerosol form. This Standard does not apply to products for which therapeutic claims are made.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/875	Aftershave <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for aftershave.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/876	Baby oils <i>This Draft East Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for baby oils intended for use on the babies. Products for which therapeutic claims are made are not covered by this standard. Such products shall be registered with the Ministry of Health.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/877	Body oils <i>Body oils are based on refined vegetable oils, mineral oil, or a mixture of the two. They can be used for skin maintenance instead of the emulsion-based creams.</i>	15 June 2019

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COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/878	Deodorants and antiperspirants <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for deodorants and antiperspirants.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/879	Glycerine for cosmetic industry <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for glycerine for cosmetic industry.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/880	Hair spray <i>This Working Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for hair spray. This standard is applicable to both water based and oil based hair sprays delivered by the aerosol or non-aerosol system. This standard does not apply to medicinal products for which therapeutic claims are made.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/881	Lip balm (Salve) <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for lip balm which are petroleum or vegetable oil based. This standard does not cover lip balm for which therapeutic claims are made, lipsticks, lip gloss and emulsion types.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/882	Lip shine (gloss) <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for lip shine (gloss) based on refined vegetable or mineral oils. This standard does not cover lip shine (gloss) for which therapeutic claims are made. This standard does not apply to lip sticks and lip balms.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/883	Lipstick <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and methods of test for lipstick.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/884	Hair extensions <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements and methods of test for hair extensions for use on humans.</i>	15 June 2019
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/885	Shea butter for cosmetic use <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for shea butter for cosmetic use derived from the kernels of the sheanuts (<i>Butyrospermum parkii</i>) . This standard does not cover products for which therapeutic claims are made.</i>	15 June 2019

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PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	02/05/2019	G/TBT/N/KOR/826	<p>Active substance and biocidal product</p> <p>1) <i>The Ministry of Environment announces the criteria for admitting technical equivalence of active substance and chemical similarity of biocidal product, and the way how to prepare dossier submitted for it in accordance with Article 16 and Article 25 of the Act on Consumer Chemical Products and Biocides Safety (Law No. 15511, which came into effect on 1 January 2019)</i></p> <p>2) <i>When a person wants to obtain approval of active substance or biocidal product that have technical equivalence or chemical similarity with already-approved substance or product, the person may apply for it with simplified data requirements. This ME Public Notice states the criteria to determinate the equivalence or similarity, and share relevant human health and environmental hazard, and the way how to prepare the dossier.</i></p> <p><i>The criteria define technical equivalence of human health and environmental hazard, and chemical similarity including impurities by comparing with already-approved active substance or biocidal product.</i></p>	20 days from notification
ALCOHOLS, ETHERS	UGANDA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/UGA/775/Add.1	<p>Industrial methylated spirit - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum aims to inform WTO Members that the draft Uganda standard; DUS 1898:2017, Industrial Methylated spirit – Specification; notified in G/TBT/N/UGA/775 was adopted on 26 March 2019. The adopted standard, US 1898:2017, Industrial Methylated spirit – Specification, can be obtained online through the link https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/.</i></p>	–
CHEMICALS FOR INDUSTRIAL AND DOMESTIC DISINFECTION PURPOSES	UGANDA	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/UGA/907/Add.2	<p>Caustic soda (Sodium hydroxide) - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum aims to inform WTO Members that the draft Uganda standard; DUS 1963:2018, Caustic Soda (Sodium hydroxide) - Specification, First Edition; notified in G/TBT/N/UGA/907 was adopted on 26 March 2019. The adopted standard, US 1963:2018, Caustic Soda - Specification, can be obtained online through the link https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/.</i></p>	–
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1370/Add.1	<p>Asbestos - Addendum</p> <p><i>Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), EPA is promulgating a rule to ensure that any discontinued uses of asbestos cannot re-enter the marketplace without EPA review, closing a loophole in the regulatory regime for</i></p>	–

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PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1443/Corr.1	Sunscreen drug products - Corrigendum <i>The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is correcting a proposed rule relating to the regulation of over-the-counter (OTC) sunscreen monograph products that appeared in the Federal Register of 26 February 2019. The document was published with formulas that were illegible. These corrections are being made to improve the accuracy of the proposed rule.</i>	—
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1443/Add.1	Sunscreen drug products - Addendum <i>The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or the Agency) is extending the comment period for the proposed rule that appeared in the Federal Register of 26 February 2019. In the proposed rule, FDA requested comments on its proposals relating to the regulation of over-the-counter (OTC) sunscreen monograph products. These proposals described the conditions under which the Agency proposes that OTC sunscreen monograph products are generally recognized as safe and effective and not misbranded. The Agency is taking this action in response to a request for an extension to allow interested persons additional time to submit comments.</i>	—
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1480	Chemical substances <i>EPA is proposing significant new use rules (SNURs) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for 11 chemical substances which are the subject of premanufacture notices (PMNs). This action would require persons to notify EPA at least 90 days before commencing manufacture (defined by statute to include import) or processing of any of these 11 chemical substances for an activity that is designated as a significant new use by this proposed rule. If this proposed rule is made final, persons may not commence manufacture or processing for the significant new use until they have submitted a Significant New Use Notice, and EPA has conducted a review of the notice, made an appropriate determination on the notice, and has taken any actions as are required as a result of that determination.</i>	20 May 2019
CLOTHING INDUSTRY					
CLOTHING INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/242/Add.2	Clothing textiles - Addendum <i>The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) requests information about possible changes to the Commission's Standard for the Flammability of Clothing Textiles to expand the list of fabrics that are exempt from testing</i>	—

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CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING					
LIGHTING	ECUADOR	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/393	Lighting equipment <i>This Ecuadorian technical regulation establishes the requirements that lighting equipment must meet, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the purpose of protecting the security of people; as well as preventing practices that may be misleading.</i>	60 days from the notification
MINERAL MATERIALS AND PRODUCTS	THAILAND	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/THA/540	Portland cement <i>The Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI) has proposed to withdraw the Thai Industrial Standard for Portland Cement Part 1: Specification (TIS 15 Part 1-2555 (2012)) and replace it with Portland Cement (TIS.15-25XX (20XX)) as a mandatory standard. This standard specifies quality requirement for Portland Cement including scope; definitions; categories; materials; requirements; packaging; marking and labeling and sampling and criteria for conformity.</i>	60 days from notification
MINERAL MATERIALS AND PRODUCTS	THAILAND	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/THA/541	White portland cement <i>The Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI) has proposed to withdraw the Thai Industrial Standard for White Portland Cement (TIS 133-2556(2013)) and replace it with White Portland Cement (TIS133-25XX(20XX)) as a mandatory standard. This standard specifies quality requirements for White Portland Cement including scope; definitions; materials; chemical and physical property requirements; packaging; marking and labeling and sampling and criteria for conformity.</i>	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1107/Add.6	Building codes - Addendum <i>Updates the regulation to incorporate by reference the 2018 editions of the nationally recognized model building codes and standards produced by the International Code Council (ICC) . Public Comment Deadline: 15 May 2019</i>	—
CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1110/Add.4	Industrial building safety - Addendum <i>Updates the regulation to incorporate by reference the 2018 editions of the nationally recognized model building codes and standards produced by the International Code Council (ICC) .</i>	—
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT, ENTERTAINMENT, SPORTS					
DOMESTIC, COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT, ENTERTAINMENT, SPORTS	CHINA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1321	Consumer products <i>This Administrative Rules specifies the scope, liability subjects and responsibilities of government authority and technical department of defective consumer products recall.</i>	60 days from notification

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LAUNDRY APPLIANCES	ECUADOR	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/403	Washing machines for domestic use <i>The notified Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by washing machines for domestic use, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting the environment and preventing misleading practices.</i>	60 days from notification
COOKWARE, CUTLERY AND FLATWARE	ECUADOR	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/405	Pressure cookers for domestic use <i>This Ecuadorian technical regulation establishes the requirements that pressure cookers must meet for domestic use, manufactured in aluminum or stainless steel, prior to the commercialization of national and imported, with the purpose of protecting the safety and health of people; as well as prevent practices that may be misleading.</i>	60 days from notification
EQUIPMENT FOR CHILDREN	ECUADOR	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/408	Toys <i>This Ecuadorian technical regulation establishes the requirements that toys must meet, prior to the commercialization of products national and imported, with the purpose of protecting the safety and health of people, as well as preventing practices that may be misleading.</i>	
MISCELLANEOUS DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/KOR/828	Umbrella and parasol for children <i>Definitions and testing methods have been revised in the safety criteria for Umbrella & Parasol for Children. Duplicate sentences have been deleted in the safety criteria for Umbrella & Parasol for Children.</i>	60 days from notification
MISCELLANEOUS DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/KOR/829	Umbrella and parasol <i>Additional notes have been deleted in the safety criteria for Umbrella & Parasol. Definitions and testing methods have been revised in the safety criteria for Umbrella & Parasol.</i>	60 days from notification
EQUIPMENT FOR ENTERTAINMENT	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1111/Add.4	Amusement devices - Addendum <i>Updates the regulation to incorporate by reference the 2018 editions of the nationally recognized American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) standards.</i>	15 May 2019
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
GALVANIC CELLS AND BATTERIES	ECUADOR	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/404	Lead-acid batteries for motor vehicles <i>The notified Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by lead-acid batteries for motor vehicles, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human safety and</i>	60 days from notification

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				<i>the environment, and preventing misleading practices.</i>	
LAMPS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	JAPAN	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/JPN/558/Add.1	Light bulbs and lighting equipment - Addendum <i>Revision to Notifications of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) for the Act on the Rational Use of Energy was published on 3 April 2019 and 12 April 2019.</i>	—
ROTATING MACHINERY	UNITED STATES	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1481	Small electric motors <i>The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) proposes amending its test procedures for small electric motors. First, DOE proposes further harmonizing its procedures with industry practice by incorporating a new industry standard manufacturers would be permitted to use in addition to the industry standards currently incorporated by reference as options for use when testing small electric motor efficiency. Second, with respect to electric motors, DOE proposes further harmonizing its test procedures by incorporating an additional industry standard to the two that are already incorporated by reference as options when testing the efficiency of this equipment. Each of these changes is expected to reduce testing burdens on manufacturers. Finally, DOE proposes to adopt industry provisions related to the test conditions to ensure the comparability of test results for small electric motors. None of these proposed changes would affect the measured average full-load efficiency of small electric motors or the measured nominal full-load efficiency of electric motors when compared to the current test procedures.</i>	24 June 2019
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH PROTECTION, SAFETY					
DRINKING WATER	ARGENTINA	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ARG/363	Mineral waters <i>The notified draft text, prepared by the National Food Commission (CONAL), amends Article 986 on the classification of mineral waters according to the level of mineralization determined by the soluble dry residue at 180° C.</i>	08 June 2019
FIRE-FIGHTING	CHINA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1327	Sprinklers <i>This standard specifies types, nominal water flow constant, thread size, color coding, model, performance requirements, test methods, inspection regulations, manual, packaging, transport and storage of sprinklers of automatic sprinkler system.</i>	60 days from notification

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HEAD PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	ECUADOR	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/407	<p>Safety helmets</p> <p><i>This Ecuadorian technical regulation establishes the requirements that safety and protection helmets must meet, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the purpose of protecting the security of people, as well as preventing practices that may be misleading.</i></p>	60 days from the notification
SPECIAL WASTES	MEXICO	02/05/2019	G/TBT/N/MEX/439/Add.2	<p>Waste generated by the hydrocarbon sector - Addendum</p> <p><i>Please be informed that Mexican Official Standard NOM-001-ASEA-2019, which establishes the criteria for classifying special management waste in the hydrocarbon sector and for determining which forms of this waste are subject to a management plan, a list of the forms of special management waste subject to a management plan, and elements for the formulation and administration of management plans for hazardous and special management waste in the hydrocarbon sector, has been published.</i></p>	—
RADIATION PROTECTION	MEXICO	02/05/2019	G/TBT/N/MEX/453	<p>Limits for radioactive contamination and criteria for its control</p> <p><i>The notified draft Mexican Official Standard is applicable to radioactive and nuclear facilities where radioactive contamination is or may be present.</i></p>	—
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY, INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE	UGANDA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/UGA/857/Add.1	<p>Work uniforms for fire - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum aims to inform WTO Members that the draft Uganda standard; DUS 1946: 2018, Standard Practice for Body Measurements and Sizing of Fire and Rescue Services Uniforms and Other Thermal Hazard Protective Clothing, 1st edition; notified in G/TBT/N/UGA/857 was adopted on 26 March 2019. The adopted standard, US 1946:2019, Standard Practice for Body Measurements and Sizing of Fire and Rescue Services Uniforms and Other Thermal Hazard Protective Clothing, can be obtained online through the link https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/.</i></p>	—
PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	UGANDA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/UGA/872/Add.1	<p>Protective clothing - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum aims to inform WTO Members that the draft Uganda standard; DUS 1947: 2018, Standard Practice for Range of Motion Evaluation of First Responder's Protective Ensembles, First Edition; notified in G/TBT/N/UGA/872 was adopted on 26 March 2019. The adopted standard, US 1947: 2018, Standard</i></p>	—

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				<i>First Responder's Protective Ensembles, First Edition, can be obtained online through the link https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/.</i>	
PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1109/Add.6	Fire prevention code - Addendum <i>Updates the regulation to incorporate by reference the 2018 editions of the nationally recognized model buildings codes and standards produced by the International Code Council (ICC)</i>	15 May 2019
PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1243/Add.2/Corr.1	Passenger equipment safety standards - Corrigendum <i>On 21 November 2018, FRA published a final rule amending FRA's passenger equipment safety standards. In preparing the final rule for publication, an error was made that led to the inadvertent removal of rule text. FRA is correcting that minor error to restore the rule text so that the final rule clearly conforms to FRA's intent.</i>	—
PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1409/Add.1	Closed-circuit escape respirators - Addendum <i>With this deregulatory action, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) revises regulatory language to remove a deadline by which respirator manufacturers must discontinue the manufacturing, labeling, and sale of certain self-contained self-rescuer models. The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) within the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HHS, has determined that discontinuing the manufacturing, labeling, and sale of certain self-contained self-rescuer models is likely to result in a shortage of person-wearable large capacity escape respirators for underground coal miners who rely on these devices. In addition to removing the compliance deadline, HHS is also modifying regulatory language to clarify that post-approval testing of closed-circuit escape respirators may exclude human subject testing and environmental conditioning, at the discretion of NIOSH.</i>	—
FLUID SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE					
VENTILATORS, FANS, AIR-CONDITIONERS	ECUADOR	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/394	Energy efficiency for ductless air conditioners <i>This Ecuadorian technical regulation establishes the requirements that air conditioners without external ducts must meet, prior to the commercialization of national and imported products, with the purpose to protect the environment; as well as preventing practices that may be misleading.</i>	60 days from the notification

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VACUUM TECHNOLOGY	ECUADOR	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/409	<p>Labeling of oil filters, fuel filters: diesel and gasoline, and air filters</p> <p><i>This Ecuadorian technical regulation establishes the labeling requirements to be met by oil filters, fuel filters: diesel and gasoline and inlet air filters for internal combustion engines, prior to the commercialization of national and imported products, with the purpose to prevent practices that may be misleading.</i></p>	60 days from the notification
PIPELINE COMPONENTS AND PIPELINES	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/SAU/1110	<p>Building materials : pipes used in water, electricity, gas and air conditioning system</p> <p><i>This regulation specifies the following: Terms and Definitions, scope, objectives, supplier Obligations, Labeling, Conformity Assessment Procedures, Responsibilities of regulatory authorities, the authorities of market survey Responsibilities, Violations and Penalties, general rules, Transitional rules, Appendix (lists, types)</i></p>	60 days from notification
FOOD AND BEVERAGES					
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	ARGENTINA	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ARG/364	<p>Dietary supplements</p> <p><i>The notified draft Joint Resolution, prepared by the National Food Commission (CONAL), amends Article 1381 defining and establishing the labelling and composition requirements to be met by dietary supplements, for updating purposes.</i></p> <p><i>It also incorporates Article 1381 ter on evening primrose oil, included in Article 1381 which has been amended.</i></p>	08 June 2019
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	CANADA	02/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CAN/427/Rev.2/Add.1	<p>Beer - Addendum</p> <p><i>The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has published the final Regulations Amending the Food and Drug Regulations (Beer) on 1 May 2019. The amendments modernize the beer compositional standard to better reflect marketplace realities and allow for product innovation. They also remove duplication with the standard for ale, stout, porter and malt liquor, and provide clarity of what constitutes standardized beer. These regulations were previously notified in G/TBT/N/CAN/427 (10 October 2014), G/TBT/N/CAN/427/Rev.1 (22 June 2017), and G/TBT/N/CAN/427/Rev.2 (19 June 2018) .</i></p>	—
CEREALS, PULSES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	ECUADOR	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/395	<p>Biscuits</p> <p><i>The notified Ecuadorian Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by biscuits, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human health and preventing deceptive practices.</i></p>	60 days from notification

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VEGETABLES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	ECUADOR	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/396	Frozen chips (French fries) <i>The notified Ecuadorian Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by frozen chips (French fries), prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human health and preventing deceptive practices.</i>	60 days from notification
EDIBLE OILS AND FATS, OILSEEDS	ECUADOR	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/400	Edible fats and oils <i>This Ecuadorian technical regulation establishes the requirements that must be met by edible fats and oils, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the purpose of protecting the health of people, as well as preventing practices that may be misleading.</i>	60 days from the notification
ICE CREAM AND ICE CONFECTIONERY	ECUADOR	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/401	Ice cream <i>The notified Ecuadorian Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by ice cream and ice cream mixes, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human health and preventing deceptive practices.</i>	60 days from notification
SUGAR AND SUGAR PRODUCTS	ECUADOR	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/402	Sugar confectionery <i>The notified Ecuadorian Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by sugar confectionery, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human health and preventing deceptive practices.</i>	60 days from notification
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/SAU/1108/Add.1	Added sugar upper limit in some food products - Addendum <i>Adding to the technical regulation of Added Sugar Upper Limit in Some Food Products the following points:</i> 1. Maximum added sugar in all energy drinks is 5g/ 100ml. 2. Maximum added sugar in prepacked fresh juices (100%) is 0g/ 100ml.	—
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/SAU/1109	Tools, surfaces, and devices used for food-contact in cooking <i>This regulation specifies the following: Terms and Definitions, scope, objectives, supplier Obligations, Labeling, Conformity Assessment Procedures, Responsibilities of regulatory authorities, the authorities of market survey Responsibilities, Violations and Penalties, general rules, Transitional rules, Appendix (lists, types)</i>	60 days from notification

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FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/TPKM/341/Add.1/Corr.1	Food and related products - Addendum <i>The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu would like to inform Members that the English translation of "Regulations Governing the Management of the Review, Registration and Issuance of Permit Documents for Food and Related Products," attached to G/TBT/N/TPKM/341/Add.1 on 12 April 2019, has a typographical error on page 20 and a correct one is provided as attachment.</i>	—
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	URUGUAY	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/URY/27/Rev.1/Add.1	All wine products - Addendum <i>The proposed date of entry into force of the Resolution of the Board of INAVI has been postponed until 1 June 2019. The final date for comments has been extended until 15 May 2019.</i>	15 May 2019
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1390/Add.1	Processed vegetables - Addendum <i>The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) is revising the U.S. Standards for Grades of Canned Lima Beans, U.S. Standards for Grades of Canned Mushrooms, U.S. Standards for Grades of Pickles, and U.S. Standards for Grades of Green Olives. AMS is replacing the term "midget" with "petite" in the canned lima bean, canned mushroom, and pickle standards, and removing "midget" completely from the green olive standards as there is an alternative term. AMS is also replacing the two-term grading system (dual nomenclature) with a single term to describe each quality level in the canned lima bean, canned mushroom, and green olive standards. Editorial changes are also being made to the grade standards that conform to recent changes made in other grade standards.</i>	—
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1404/Add.1	Citrus - Addendum <i>This rule implements a recommendation from the Citrus Administrative Committee (Committee) to revise the grade and size requirements currently prescribed under the marketing order for oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, and pummelos grown in Florida. This rule removes the grade and size requirements for Ambersweet and Temple oranges, and simplifies the tables outlining the grade and size requirements for interstate and export shipments. A corresponding change will be made to the grapefruit import regulation as required under section 8e of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.</i>	—

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PREPACKAGED AND PREPARED FOODS	UNITED STATES	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1479	Meat and poultry <i>The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is proposing to amend its labeling regulations to remove provisions that require packages of meat or poultry products that contain at least one pound or one pint, but less than four pounds or one gallon, to express the net weight or net contents in two different units of measurement on the product label. FSIS is taking this action in response to a petition submitted on behalf of a small meat processing establishment. After reviewing these provisions, FSIS has determined that it is not necessary for labels of any meat or poultry products to bear dual statements of weight or content, using more than one unit of measurement, to convey the accurate weight or amount of the product to consumers.</i>	17 June 2019
GENERALITIES, TERMINOLOGY, STANDARDIZATION, DOCUMENTATION					
STANDARDIZATION, GENERAL RULES	CHINA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1329	Management measures for compulsory national standards <i>There are nine chapters and fifty-two articles in these Measures. The contents include general principles, organizational management, project proposal and establishment, organizational drafting, consultation, technical review, approval and promulgation, implementation, supervision and review, and supplementary rules. These Measures are applicable to the drafting, revision and supervision of compulsory national standards.</i>	60 days from notification
QUALITY	UNITED STATES	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1475	Product-safety testing and certification services <i>In this notice, OSHA announces its final decision to: (1) Add a new test standard to the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories (NRTL) Program's list of appropriate test standards; (2) delete or replace several test standards from the NRTL Program's list of appropriate test standards; and (3) update the scope of recognition of several NRTLs.</i>	None
QUALITY	UNITED STATES	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1476	Product-safety testing and certification services <i>In this notice, OSHA proposes to: (1) Add new test standards to the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories (NRTL) Program's list of appropriate test standards; (2) delete or replace several test standards from the NRTL Program's list of appropriate test standards; and (3) update the scope of recognition of</i>	10 May 2019

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HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
IMPLANTS FOR SURGERY, PROSTHETICS AND ORTHOTICS	CHINA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1324	Cast Cobalt-Chromium-Molybdenum alloy for surgical implants <i>This standard specifies the characteristics and related test methods of cast Co-Cr-Mo alloy for surgical implants.</i>	60 days from notification
IMPLANTS FOR SURGERY, PROSTHETICS AND ORTHOTICS	CHINA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1326	Transfusion sets for single use <i>This standard stipulates the requirements of disposable medical blood transfusion devices to ensure compatibility with blood and blood component containers and venous appliances. The second purpose of this standard is to provide guidelines for the performance and quality specifications of materials used in blood transfusion devices, and to give the labels of transfusion components. Main technical contents: general requirements, materials, physical requirements, chemical requirements, biological requirements and packaging, marking requirements.</i>	60 days from notification
WOUND DRESSINGS AND COMPRESSES	UGANDA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/UGA/569/Add.1	Disposable sanitary towels - Addendum <i>This addendum aims to inform WTO Members that the draft Uganda standard; DUS DEAS 96-1:2016, Sanitary towels - Specification - Part 1: Disposable; notified in G/TBT/N/UGA/569 was adopted on 26 March 2019. The adopted standard, US EAS 96-1:2016, Sanitary towels - Specification - Part 1: Disposable, can be obtained online through the link https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/.</i>	—
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1478	Medical devices <i>The Food and Drug Administration (FDA, we, or Agency) is classifying suitable accessories into class I as required by the FDA Reauthorization Act of 2017 (FDARA) . The Agency has determined that general controls alone are sufficient to provide reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness for these accessories. We made this determination based on the risks of the accessories when used as intended with other devices such as the parent or system.</i>	None
METALLURGY					
IRON AND STEEL FORGINGS	KENYA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/886	Corrugated sheet steel beams for highway guardrail <i>This specification covers corrugated sheet steel prepared for use as beams in highway guardrails.</i>	07 June 2019

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PETROLEUM AND LEATHER TECHNOLOGIES					
HYDRAULIC FLUIDS	ECUADOR	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/398	Brake fluid for hydraulic systems <i>The notified Ecuadorian Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by non-petroleum-based brake fluids used in road-vehicle hydraulic brake and clutch systems, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human safety and preventing deceptive practices.</i>	60 days from notification
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND NATURAL GAS HANDLING EQUIPMENT	MEXICO	02/05/2019	G/TBT/N/MEX/219/Add.8	Measuring instrument - Petrol dispensers - Addendum <i>Please be advised that the amendment to Mexican Official Standard NOM-005-SCFI-2017: Measuring instruments - System for measuring and dispensing petrol and other liquid fuels with a maximum flow rate of 250 l/min - Specifications, and test and verification methods (cancelling Mexican Official Standard NOM-005-SCFI-2011) was published in the Mexican Official Journal on 10 October 2018.</i>	–
ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	02/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ARE/461	Hydrogen and fuel cell vehicles <i>This draft of UA Technical regulation is concerned with all hydrogen fueled vehicles of Category 1-1 and 1-2, with a gross vehicle mass (GVM) of 4,536 kilograms or less</i>	60 days from notification
BUSES	CHINA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1318	Electric buses <i>This standard specifies safety requirements and test methods for electric buses. This standard applies to electric buses of M2 and M3, including pure electric buses and hybrid electric buses. This standard does not apply to fuel cell electric buses.</i>	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	CHINA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1319	Electric vehicles <i>This standard specifies the requirements for human protection against electric shock, functional safety and test methods of electric vehicles in normal use. This standard applies to electric vehicles with maximum working voltage of on-board driving system at class B voltage. This standard does not apply to road vehicles that are continuously connected to the power grid during driving.</i>	60 days from notification
COMMERCIAL VEHICLES	CHINA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1320	Electric vehicles traction batteries <i>This standard specifies the safety requirements and test methods for secondary cells, battery packs or systems of traction batteries for electric vehicles (hereinafter referred to as "batteries") .</i>	60 days from notification

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SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES	CHINA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1325	<p>Fireworks transport vehicle</p> <p><i>This standard specifies the vehicle requirements for the engine, lateral and rear underrun protection device, exhaust system, tire, extinguisher, tyre failure emergency safety device of fireworks transport vehicle, as well as the requirements for the pressure relief device, vent, electrical , etc.. There are also special requirements on the carriages of vehicles that transport black powder.</i></p>	60 days from notification
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	CHINA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1328	<p>Fuel consumption for motorcycles and mopeds</p> <p><i>This standard specifies limits and measuring methods of fuel consumption for motorcycles and mopeds. This standard is applicable to motorcycles and mopeds powered by ignition engines and positive tricycles powered by compression ignition engines. This standard does not apply to vehicles using only gaseous or alcoholic fuels.</i></p>	60 days from notification
GLAZING AND WIPER SYSTEMS	ECUADOR	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/397	<p>Safety glass for motor vehicles</p> <p><i>The notified Ecuadorian Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by safety glass used in motor vehicles for the transport of persons, cargo and merchandise, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human safety and preventing deceptive practices.</i></p>	60 days from notification
BRAKING SYSTEMS	ECUADOR	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/399	<p>Friction material for motor vehicle brake systems</p> <p><i>The notified Ecuadorian Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by friction material for motor vehicle brake systems, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human safety and preventing deceptive practices.</i></p> <p><i>It applies to the following products:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friction material for motor vehicle brake systems 	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	02/05/2019	G/TBT/N/KOR/827	<p>Motor vehicles and parts</p> <p><i>The following amendments will be made:</i></p> <p><i>A. Improvement of the operation method of the cover for the goods loading device and the operating regulation of the work light for trucks (Article 32 and Article 47): The improvement of material, structure and operation of the cover of the goods loading device of cargo trucks and special motor vehicles, and the clarification of the operation method of the work light.</i></p>	60 days from date of notification

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
AUDIO, VIDEO AND AUDIO-VISUAL ENGINEERING	ECUADOR	03/05/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/406	<p>Televisions</p> <p><i>This Ecuadorian technical regulation establishes the requirements that televisions must meet, prior to the commercialization of domestic and imported products, with the purpose of protecting the environment, as well how to prevent practices that can lead to error.</i></p>	60 days from the notification
TESTING					
TEST CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES IN GENERAL	UNITED STATES	30/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1354/Add.1	<p>Closed circuit escape respirators - Addendum</p> <p><i>With this deregulatory action, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) revises regulatory language to remove a deadline by which respirator manufacturers must discontinue the manufacturing, labeling, and sale of certain self-contained self-rescuer models. The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) within the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HHS, has determined that discontinuing the manufacturing, labeling, and sale of certain self-contained self-rescuer models is likely to result in a shortage of person-wearable large capacity escape respirators for underground coal miners who rely on these devices. In addition to removing the compliance deadline, HHS is also modifying regulatory language to clarify that post-approval testing of closed-circuit escape respirators may exclude human subject testing and environmental conditioning, at the discretion of NIOSH.</i></p>	—
ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING	29/04/2019	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1477	<p>National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants</p> <p><i>The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing amendments to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Stationary Combustion Turbines to address the results of the residual risk and technology review (RTR) the EPA is required to conduct in accordance with the Clean Air Act (CAA) . The EPA is proposing to find that the risks from this source category due to emissions of air toxics are acceptable and that the existing NESHAP provides an ample margin of safety to protect public health. The EPA identified no new cost-effective controls under the technology review that would achieve further emissions reductions from the source category. The EPA is also proposing to amend provisions addressing periods of startup, shutdown, and malfunction (SSM) and to require electronic</i></p>	28 May 2019

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TEXTILE AND LEATHER TECHNOLOGY					
NATURAL FIBRES	CHINA	01/05/2019	G/TBT/N/CHN/1323	<p>Sheep wool</p> <p><i>This document is a revision to the computational formula in the standard "Sheep wool " (GB1523-2013) . The revised content is that the whole batch of wool base calculation formula should be consistent with the Wi (Extract the mass of each sample from the mixed core sample) in the calculation formula of the whole batch (5.3.3.3.4) vegetable matter base , the branch base and the burr.</i></p>	60 days from notification
PRODUCTS OF THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY	UGANDA	29/04/2019	G/TBT/N/UGA/748/Add.1	<p>School wear fabrics - Polyester and wool fabrics - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum aims to inform WTO Members that the draft Uganda standard; DUS 1700-3:2017, School wear fabrics – Part 3: Polyester and wool fabrics; notified in G/TBT/N/UGA/748 was adopted on 26 March 2019. The adopted standard, US 1700-3:2017, School wear fabrics – Part 3: Polyester and wool fabrics, can be obtained online through the linkhttps://webstore.unbs.go.ug/.</i></p>	–