



WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS BULLETIN

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This publication seeks to provide cohesive information in a weekly basis on the foreign notifications of the WTO members under the TBT agreement on their 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 29 notifications on Agriculture, Domestic and Commercial Equipment, Entertainment, Sports, Environment, Health Protection, Safety, Food Technology, Health Care Technology, etc., from Brazil, Canada, Kenya, Thailand 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 (19 - 25 December 2020)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	BRAZIL	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/862/Add.1	<i>Glyphosate - Addendum</i> The Draft Resolution number 613, 28 February 2019 regarding the result of the risk assessment for the active ingredient G01 - GLYPHOSATE of the Relation of Monographies of Active Ingredients of Pesticides, Household Cleaning Products and Wood Preservers, was adopted by ANVISA as Resolution number 441, 2 December 2020.	-
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	BRAZIL	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1109	<i>Abamectine</i> This resolution regards the maintenance of the active ingredient Abamectine in the list of approved pesticides in the country .	-

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DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT. ENTERTAINMENT. SPORTS					
CLEANING APPLIANCES	BRAZIL	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1107	Household cleaner This draft resolution includes/authorizes and revises the monographies of the active ingredients D06 Deltametrine, C43 Coumatetralyl and M44 Metoflutrine for household cleaner use.	21 January 2021
FURNITURE	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/TPKM/437/Add.1	Reclined cradles - Addendum The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen, Matsu would like to notify that the "Legal Inspection of Reclined Cradles" as per G/TBT/N/TPKM/437 on 21 October 2020, was promulgated on 15 December 2020 and will come into effect on 1 November 2021.	-
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
OTHER CELLS AND BATTERIES	AUSTRALIA	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/AUS/123/Add.1	Consumer goods containing button and coin cell batteries and button and coin cell batteries themselves - Addendum The new standards take effect on 22 December 2020 and an 18-month transition period applies from this date. Suppliers have until June 2022 to comply with the new requirements.	-
ENVIRONMENT. HEALTH PROTECTION. SAFETY					
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	CANADA	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/CAN/631	Hazardous products The Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), developed by the United Nations, is designed to standardize hazard classification and communication, such as labelling, for hazardous chemicals across various countries.	27 February 2021
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	UKRAINE	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/UKR/176	Chemical safety The draft Law is developed to determine the legal, organizational and economic principles in the field of chemical safety .	8 February 2021
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	UNITED STATES	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/923/Add.2	Packaged terminal air conditioners and packaged terminal heat pumps - Addendum The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is initiating an early assessment review to determine whether any new or amended standards would satisfy the relevant requirements of EPCA for a new or amended energy conservation standard for Packaged Terminal Air Conditioners ("PTACs") and Packaged Terminal Heat Pumps ("PTHPs").	-

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FOOD TECHNOLOGY					
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	BRAZIL	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/987/Add.1	<i>Food supplements - Addendum</i> ANVISA Draft Normative Instruction number 786, 6 March 2020 establishes the updating of the lists of constituents, limits of use, health claim, and labelling for food supplements, was adopted as Normative Instruction number 76, 5 November 2020.	-
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	BRAZIL	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1111	<i>Labelling of packed animal origin products</i> Amends the Technical Regulation No. 22, 24 November 2005 (published on the Brazilian the Official Gazette No. 226, page 15, on 25 November 2005) ruling the labelling of packed animal origin products.	-
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	KENYA	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/KEN/1044	<i>Breast milk substitutes</i> The objective of this regulations is to guide persons who use, manufacture, sell and market breast milk substitutes.	18 February 2021
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/TPKM/424/Add.1	<i>2-fucosyllactose produced by g[...]40 for food purposes - Addendum</i> The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu would like to notify that the G/TBT/N/TPKM/424 on 28 July 2020, was promulgated on 16 December 2020 and came into effect on the same day.	-
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/TPKM/447	<i>2'-fucosyllactose produced by[...]dified escherichia coli strain</i> Food and Drug Administration is proposing to regulate the use restriction and labeling requirement of 2'-fucosyllactose produced by genetically modified Escherichia coli strain K-12 DH1 MDO MAP1001d for food purposes.	60 days from notification
PREPACKAGED AND PREPARED FOODS	UNITED STATES	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/1680	<i>Frozen cherry pie</i> Proposed rule - The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) proposes to revoke the standard of identity and the standard of quality for frozen cherry pie.	18 March 2021
SPICES AND CONDIMENTS	UNITED STATES	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/1682	<i>French dressing</i> Proposed rule - The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) proposes to revoke the standard of identity for French dressing.	22 March 2021

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HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
RADIOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1108	<p><i>Conventional medical radiography systems</i></p> <p>This Normative Instruction changes the Normative Instructions from number 52 to 59, 20 December 2019.</p>	-
PHARMACEUTICS	BRAZIL	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1110	<p><i>Covid-19 vaccines</i></p> <p>This resolution establishes temporary authorization of emergency use, experimentally, of COVID-19 vaccines in light of the Public Health Emergency of National Concern due to the new coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) pandemic.</p>	-
METALLURGY					
STEELS	THAILAND	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/THA/589	<p><i>Hot-rolled flat steel</i></p> <p>The draft ministerial regulation mandates superior atmospheric corrosion resisting hot-rolled flat steel to be in conformity with the standard for Superior Atmospheric Corrosion Resisting Hot-Rolled Flat Steel (TIS 2011 - 2563(2020)).</p>	60 days from notification
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT. PHYSICAL PHENOMENA					
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT IN GENERAL	PERU	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/PER/127	<p><i>Vehicles and tank cars subjected to legal metrology controls</i></p> <p>This Peruvian Metrological Standard specifies the metrological and technical requirements applicable to vehicles and tank cars subjected to legal metrology controls.</p>	60 days from notification
PAINT AND COLOUR INDUSTRIES					
PAINTS AND VARNISHES	BRAZIL	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1106	<p><i>Furniture paint</i></p> <p>This draft resolution establishes the procedures and technical requirements for the registry of furniture paint with sanitizing action.</p>	15 February 2021
PAINTS AND VARNISHES	UKRAINE	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/UKR/177	<p><i>Lead content in paints and varnishes</i></p> <p>The draft Technical Regulation is developed to reduce the level of lead in paints and varnishes, namely up to 90 ppm (i.e. 0.009%) in the dry coating film, to ensure the safety human health which corresponds to the best known standards applied in other countries.</p>	15 February 2021

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RAILWAY ENGINEERING					
RAILWAY ENGINEERING IN GENERAL	UNITED STATES	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/480/Add.1	<p><i>Train control systems - Addendum</i></p> <p>FRA is proposing to revise its regulations governing changes to positive train control (PTC) systems and reporting on PTC system functioning.</p>	-
RUBBER AND PLASTIC INDUSTRIES					
PLASTICS	KENYA	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/KEN/1045	<p><i>Plastic composite roofing tiles</i></p> <p>This specification applies to plastic composite roofing tiles of plain and interlocking types.</p>	20 February 2021
ROAD VEHICLE TYRES	THAILAND	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/THA/538/Add.1	<p><i>Inner tubes for motorcycles and mopeds - Addendum</i></p> <p>This addendum is to inform that TIS 683-25XX proposed by Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), notified under G/TBT/N/THA/538 , was adopted as TIS 683-2562 (2019) Inner Tubes for Motorcycles and Mopeds.</p>	-
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS	CANADA	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/CAN/630	<p><i>Wireless devices operating in the 4 mhz-6 ghz frequency band</i></p> <p>SPR-004, Issue 1, Time-Averaged Specific Absorption Rate (TAS) Assessment Procedures for Wireless Devices Operating in the 4 MHz-6 GHz Frequency Band, sets out the general test methods to be followed when carrying out an RF exposure compliance assessment</p>	23 February 2021
AMPLIFIERS	UNITED STATES	21/12/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/1679	<p><i>Amplifiers in home entertainment products</i></p> <p>The Federal Trade Commission ("FTC" or "Commission") requests public comment on the overall costs, benefits, necessity, and regulatory and economic impact of the FTC's Trade Regulation Rule Relating to Power Output Claims for Amplifiers Utilized in Home Entertainment Products (the "Amplifier Rule" or "Rule") .</p>	16 February 2021
TESTING					
TEST CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES IN GENERAL	UNITED STATES	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/1681	<p><i>Motor vehicle test procedures</i></p> <p>request for comments - The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act (Safety Act) prohibits the sale, manufacture for sale, import or introduction into interstate commerce of a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment, unless fully compliant with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards</p>	20 January 2021

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TEXTILE AND LEATHER TECHNOLOGY					
PRODUCTS OF THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY	KENYA	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/KEN/1046	Knitted vests and T-shirts This Kenya Standard prescribes the requirements of knitted vests and T-shirts. This includes polo shirts, sport shirts and any other type of knitted vest or T-shirt.	23 February 2021
(NO TITLE)					
NO TITLE	KENYA	22/12/2020	G/TBT/N/KEN/1002/Add.1	All products imported - Addendum Kenya would like to inform WTO Members that the principal regulation "Standards (Verification of Conformity to Standards and other Applicable Regulations) Order 2020" has been amended.	-