

25 November 2022

NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization – Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website (www.epingalert.org) from 12 to 18 November 2022.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the ten (10) notified draft technical regulations from four (4) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/EGY/330	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 17 November 2022 Deadline for Comments: 15 January 2023	Bitumen sheets for roof waterproofing	This draft of Egyptian standard specifies definitions and characteristics for flexible reinforced bitumen sheets for which the intended use is roofing. This covers sheets used as top layers, intermediate layers and underlayers. It does not cover reinforced bitumen sheets for waterproofing used as underlays for discontinuous roofing
G/TBT/N/KEN/1324	Kenya	Date of Distribution: 14 November 2022 Deadline for Comments: 12 January 2023	Non-textile floor coverings	This Part 2 of this Kenya Standard specifies methods for the determination of constructional details of textile floor coverings. The standard covers determination of loop length and turf length of Pile of Textile Floor Covering.
G/TBT/N/RWA/725	Rwanda	Date of Distribution: 17 November 2022 Deadline for Comments: 15 January 2023	Compressed earth blocks	This Draft Rwanda Standard describes the processes relating to the production of compressed earth blocks (CEBs) and their use in design and construction of housing units. The draft standard is not applicable in areas subject to earthquakes, floods or cyclones to an extent that requires the application of appropriate rules in order to avoid major damage.

BUREAU OF PHILIPPINE STANDARDS

Membership:

- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
 - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

G/TBT/N/RWA/726	Rwanda	<p>Date of Distribution: 17 November 2022</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 15 January 2023</p>	Compressed earth blocks	This Draft Rwanda Standard specifies test methods for verification of the characteristics of compressed earth blocks intended for house construction
G/TBT/N/RWA/731	Rwanda	<p>Date of Distribution: 18 November 2022</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 16 January 2023</p>	Compressed earth blocks : earth mortars	This Draft Rwanda Standard defines earth mortars (EMs), classifies them according to their appearance, their conditions of use, and specifies categories into which they fall as well as their designations.
G/TBT/N/RWA/732	Rwanda	<p>Date of Distribution: 18 November 2022</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 16 January 2023</p>	Clay roofing tiles and ridges	This Draft Rwanda Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for roofing tiles and ridges intended for use as roof covering where durability and appearance are required to provide a weather-resistant surface of specified design.
G/TBT/N/RWA/733	Rwanda	<p>Date of Distribution: 18 November 2022</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 16 January 2023</p>	Clay flooring tiles	This Draft Rwanda Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for stabilized soil blocks using cement and/or lime, and fibre for use in general construction
G/TBT/N/RWA/734	Rwanda	<p>Date of Distribution: 18 November 2022</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 16 January 2023</p>	Stabilized soil blocks using cement and / or lime, and fibre for use in general construction	This Draft Rwanda Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for stabilized soil blocks using cement and/or lime, and fibre for use in general construction
G/TBT/N/RWA/735	Rwanda	<p>Date of Distribution: 18 November 2022</p>	Compressed earth blocks	This Draft Rwanda Standard applies to compressed earth blocks (CEBs) used for the construction of buildings for residential, public and related purposes. It gives the

		Deadline for Comments: 16 January 2023		definitions of different types of CEBs and their classification. It also provides the requirements and test methods and the conformity criteria of the CEBs depending on their intended uses
G/TBT/N/TPK/M/492/Add.1	'The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	Date of Distribution: 15 November 2022 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Water efficiency labeling products for water use equipment, sanitary ware or other equipment - Addendum	The Water Resource Agency announced that auto-closing faucet to be sold shall bear the Water Efficiency Labels from 1 July 2023. Auto-closing faucets sold in domestic market shall obtain a license for the use of Water Efficiency Label in accordance with the Regulations for the Management of the Water Efficiency Label.

To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at BPS@dti.gov.ph copy bps.smd@dti.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

NEIL P. CATAJAY 
Director