

26 September 2023

## 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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 16 to 22 September 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the eleven (11) notified draft technical regulations from Egypt, Israel, and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EGY/286/Add.2</a>	Egypt	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Activity toys for domestic use - Addendum	This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 197 /2023 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 3123-8 "Safety of toys – part 8 : Activity toys for domestic use" (61 pages, in Arabic) This standard cancels and supersedes its last edition in 2020. It should be noted that the draft of this standard was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/286/Add.1 dated 6 February 2023.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/560/Add.2</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Playground equipment and surfacing - Addendum	The revision process of the Mandatory Standard SI 1498 part 1, notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/560, was withdrawn.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/561/Add.1</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Playground equipment and surfacing - Addendum	The revision process of the Mandatory Standard SI 1498 part 2, notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/561, was withdrawn.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/562/Add.1</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 September 2023	Playground equipment and surfacing - Addendum	The revision process of the Mandatory Standard SI 1498 part 3, notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/562, was withdrawn.

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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/563/Add.1</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Playground equipment and surfacing - Addendum	The revision process of the Mandatory Standard SI 1498 part 4, notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/563, was withdrawn.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/564/Add.1</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Playground equipment and surfacing - Addendum	The revision process of the Mandatory Standard SI 1498 part 5, notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/564, was withdrawn.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/565/Add.1</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Playground equipment and surfacing - Addendum	The revision process of the Mandatory Standard SI 1498 part 6, notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/565, was withdrawn.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/566/Add.1</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Playground equipment and surfacing - Addendum	The revision process of the Mandatory Standard SI 1498 part 7, notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/566, was withdrawn.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/973/Add.1</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Playground equipment and surfacing - Addendum	The proposed first amendment to the Mandatory Standard SI 1498 part 7, notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/973, was withdrawn.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1964/Add.3</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 22 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b>	Button cell or coin batteries - Addendum	In February 2023, as required by Reese's Law, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or Commission) issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR) to eliminate or adequately reduce the risk of injury from ingestion of button cell or coin batteries by children six

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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1964/Add.2</a>	United States	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 22 September 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 05 October 2023	Button cell or coin batteries - Addendum	In February 2023, as required by Reese's Law, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or Commission) issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR) to eliminate or adequately reduce the risk of injury from ingestion of button cell or coin batteries by children six years old and younger. In the NPR the Commission preliminarily determined that no existing voluntary standard met the requirements in Reese's Law at that time. In this document, however, the Commission determines that one voluntary standard, substantially revised since publication of the NPR, now meets the requirements in Reese's Law with respect to performance and labeling requirements for consumer products containing button cell or coin batteries. Reese's Law states that after a determination of sufficiency by the Commission, such a qualifying voluntary standard is treated as a consumer product safety rule.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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