

29 November 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 18 to 24 November 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the thirteen (13) notified draft technical regulations from six (6) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/B/DI/286/Add.1</a>	Burundi	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 22 November 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Banana flour - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like inform WTO Members that the Draft East Africa Standard; DEAS 1106: 2022, Banana flour — Specification, First Edition notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/286, G/TBT/N/KEN/1320, G/TBT/N/RWA/720, G/TBT/N/TZA/839, G/TBT/N/UGA/1694 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as East Africa Standard, EAS 1106: 2022, Banana flour — Specification, First Edition. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through <a href="mailto:nep@tbs.go.tz">nep@tbs.go.tz</a>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/B/DI/287/Add.1</a>	Burundi	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 22 November 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Fruit juices, puree, pulp and nectars - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East Africa Standard; DEAS 948: 2022, Fruit juices, puree, pulp and nectars — Specification, Second Edition notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/287, G/TBT/N/KEN/1321, G/TBT/N/RWA/721, G/TBT/N/TZA/840, G/TBT/N/UGA/1695 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as East Africa Standard, EAS 948: 2022, Fruit juices, puree, pulp and nectars — Specification, Second Edition. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through <a href="mailto:nep@tbs.go.tz">nep@tbs.go.tz</a>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/B/DI/288/Add.1</a>	Burundi	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 23 November 2023	Dried fruits - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East Africa Standard; DEAS 946: 2022, Dried fruits —

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  - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
  - National Notification Authority (NNA)

		<b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated		Specification, Second Edition notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/288, G/TBT/N/KEN/1322, G/TBT/N/RWA/722, G/TBT/N/TZA/841, G/TBT/N/UGA/1696 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as East Africa Standard, EAS 946: 2022, Dried fruits — Specification, Second Edition. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BDI/307/Add.1</a>	Burundi	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 23 November 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Milled rice of the varieties grown from rice grains, Oryza spp. - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East Africa Standard; DEAS128:2022, Milled rice — Specification, Second Edition notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/307, G/TBT/N/KEN/1353, G/TBT/N/RWA/748, G/TBT/N/TZA/871, G/TBT/N/UGA/1718 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as East Africa Standard, EAS128:2022, Milled rice — Specification, Second Edition. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BDI/308/Add.1</a>	Burundi	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 23 November 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Textured soya protein products - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East Africa Standard; DEAS 802:2022, Textured soya protein products — Specification, Second Edition notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/308, G/TBT/N/KEN/1354, G/TBT/N/RWA/749, G/TBT/N/TZA/872, G/TBT/N/UGA/1719 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as EAS 802:2022, Textured soya protein products — Specification, Second Edition This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BDI/311/Add.1</a>	Burundi	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 23 November 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Bread - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the DEAS 43:2022, Bread — Specification, Third Edition G/TBT/N/BDI/311, G/TBT/N/KEN/1357, G/TBT/N/RWA/752, G/TBT/N/TZA/875, G/TBT/N/UGA/1722 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as East Africa Standard, EAS 43:2022, Bread — Specification, Third Edition. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz

<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BDI/312/Add.1</a>	Burundi	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 23 November 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated</p>	Barley for brewing - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would inform WTO Members that the DEAS 327:2022, Barley for brewing — Specification, Second Edition notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/312 - G/TBT/N/KEN/1358 - G/TBT/N/RWA/753 - G/TBT/N/TZA/876 - G/TBT/N/UGA/1723 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as East Africa Standard, EAS 327:2022, Barley for brewing — Specification, Second Edition. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SAU/1118/Add.1</a>	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 23 November 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 21 January 2024</p>	Organic food products - Addendum	This addendum includes modifications as shown in the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The title (Updating Organic food clearance requirements).</li> <li>• Reformulate the introduction, the scope, the aim, the requirements, labelling, and the storage and transport requirements.</li> <li>• Add the definition of Saudi Food and Drug Authority and Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture.</li> <li>• Modify the organic food products instead of organic food.</li> <li>• Remove the packaging requirements, and add kind of certificates, and a competent authority.</li> <li>• Remove the table of the authorities.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/PHL/310</a>	Philippines	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 November 2023</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 10 January 2024</p>	Processed food products	Consistent with the FDA's mandate to ensure safe and quality food products as prescribed in RA No. 9711 or the FDA Act of 2009 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR), as well as provisions stated in RA No. 10611 or the Food Safety Act of 2013 and its IRR, this Administrative Order is hereby issued to utilize the quality and safety standards developed for the PNS processed food products to serve as a guide to all food business operators (FBOs) and the general public for the standards of specific food products that are to be sold in the local market; and to demonstrate compliance to food safety and quality prior to issuance of FDA authorizations and ultimately protect consumer interest.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SLO/124</a>	Slovenia	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 24 November 2023</p>	Fresh, chilled and frozen meat of bovine, swine,	This Rule specifies how operators ensure traceability of the origin of meat on a retail invoice.

		<b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 22 January 2024	sheep, goats and poultry	
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/613/Ad d.1</a>	Tanzania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 22 November 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Canned vegetables - Addendum	Tanzania would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East Africa Standard; DEAS 1060: 2021 Canned vegetables — Specification notified in G/TBT/N/TZA/613 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as , EAS 1060: 2021 Canned vegetables — Specification This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/614/Ad d.1</a>	Tanzania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 22 November 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Canned fruit cocktail (peach, pineapple, grapes, pears, cherries) intended for direct human consumption - Addendum	Tanzania would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East Africa Standard; DEAS 1061: 2021 Canned fruit cocktail — Specification notified in G/TBT/N/TZA/614 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 25 August 2023 as EAS 1061: 2021 Canned fruit cocktail — Specification . This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UKR/265/Ad d.1</a>	Ukraine	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 22 November 2023  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Dehydrated preserved milk for human consumption - Addendum	Ukraine notifies the adoption of the Order of the Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine "On approval of Requirements for certain types of partially or wholly dehydrated preserved milk intended for human consumption" on 25 August 2023.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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