

24 January 2024

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 13 to 19 January 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the five (5) notified draft technical regulations from Israel and United States

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/IS/R/1306	Israel	<p>Date of Distribution: 19 January 2024</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 18 March 2024</p>	Toys	<p>Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 562 part 3, dealing with the migration of certain chemical elements from toys. This draft standard revision adopts the European Standard EN-71-3: 2019 + A1: April 2021, with a few changes that appear in the standard's Hebrew section.</p> <p>Both the old standard and this new revised standard will apply from entry into force of this revision for 12 months. During this time, products may be tested according to the old or the new revised standard.</p>
G/TBT/N/US/583/Rev.2	United States	<p>Date of Distribution: 18 January 2024</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 06 May 2024</p>	Residential refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers - Revision	<p>The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended ("EPCA"), prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers. In this notice of proposed rulemaking ("NOPR"), DOE proposes new energy conservation standards for refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers identical to those set forth in a direct final rule published elsewhere in this issue of the Federal Register. If DOE receives adverse comment and determines that such comment</p>

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				may provide a reasonable basis for withdrawal of the direct final rule, DOE will publish a notice of withdrawal and will proceed with this proposed rule.
G/TBT/N/U SA/1272/R ev.1/Add.2	United States	<p>Date of Distribution: 19 January 2024</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 20 February 2024</p>	Toys - Addendum	Direct final rule - Section 106 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) made ASTM F963-07e1, Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Toy Safety, a mandatory consumer product safety standard. Section 106 also provides procedures for revisions to the ASTM F963 standard. In accordance with those procedures, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or Commission) has allowed the revised standard, ASTM F963-23, to become the mandatory toy standard. This direct final rule incorporates by reference ASTM F963-23 and updates the existing notice of requirements (NOR) that provide the criteria and processes for Commission acceptance of accreditation of third-party conformity assessment bodies for testing to ASTM F963.
G/TBT/N/U SA/2090	United States	<p>Date of Distribution: 15 January 2024</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 29 January 2024</p>	Portable electric spas; air purifiers; commercial dishwashers; commercial steam cookers; faucets; residential ventilating fans; showerheads; spray sprinkler bodies; urinals; water closets; water coolers	The purpose of this action is to implement the Efficiency Standards Act by establishing minimum efficiency standards for certain new products sold or installed in the State and to establish testing, certification, inspection, and enforcement procedures for ensuring compliance with established standards.
G/TBT/N/U SA/2091	United States	<p>Date of Distribution:</p>	Infant support cushions	Notice of proposed rulemaking - The Danny Keysar Child Product Safety Notification Act,

		17 January 2024 Deadline for Comments: 18 March 2024		section 104 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA), requires the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) to promulgate consumer product safety standards for durable infant or toddler products. Under this statutory direction, the Commission is proposing a safety standard for infant support cushions. The Commission is also proposing to amend CPSC's consumer registration requirements to identify infant support cushions as durable infant or toddler products and proposing to amend CPSC's list of notices of requirements (NORs) to include infant support cushions.
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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