

28 February 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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 17 to 23 February 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the two (2) notified draft technical regulations from Israel:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/1318</a>	Israel	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 21 February 2024</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 20 April 2024</p>	Hand-propelled wheelchairs	<p>Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 1279 part 1, dealing with hand-propelled wheelchairs. This proposed standard revision adopts both the European Standard EN 12183: September 2022 and the American Standard RESNA WC 1:2019 and allows for complying with either. The major differences between the old version and this new revised draft standard are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chapter A, The European Import route: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Adopts an updated European standard. The main differences between the editions are detailed in Annex G.</li> <li>o Expanded the standard's scope to include manually propelled wheelchairs for bathing and for use in the toilet.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Chapter B, The American Import Route: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Adopts an updated American standard.</li> <li>o Adds Section 3 dealing with the brake efficiency.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Both the old standard and this new revised standard will apply from entry into force of this revision for a period of 6 months. During this time, products may be tested according to the old or the new revised standard.</p>
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/1319</a>	Israel	<p><b>Date of Distribution:</b> 21 February 2024</p> <p><b>Deadline for Comments:</b></p>	Single-use rubber gloves; sterile surgical gloves	<p>Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 426 part 1, dealing with sterile surgical gloves. This proposed standard revision adopts both the International Standard ISO 10282 – Third edition: 2014-02-01 and the</p>

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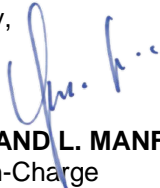
- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
  - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
  - National Notification Authority (NNA)

		20 April 2024		<p>American Standard ASTM D3577 – 19, allowing for compliance with either. The major differences between the old version and this new revised draft standard are due to changes introduced to the American route of compliance as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deletes the requirement to cut the glove for testing its width;</li> <li>• Adds Section 8.5.2.3 dealing with the accelerated aging test.</li> </ul> <p>Both the old standard and this new revised standard will apply from entry into force of this revision for a period of one year. During this time, products may be tested according to the old or the new revised standard.</p>
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