

22 May 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 11 to 17 May 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Canada, Israel, Türkiye, Guatemala, Tanzania, Plurinational State of Bolivia. Brazil and Panama:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/B/DI/472/Corr.1	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda	Date of Distribution: 16 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Sugar cane syrup - Corrigendum	The aim of this corrigendum is to inform WTO members that the notification G/TBT/N/BDI/472, G/TBT/N/KEN/1618, G/TBT/N/RWA/1019, G/TBT/N/TZA/1126, G/TBT/N/UGA/1930 was issued in error and it is null and void. Note: This Draft Tanzania Standard was also notified under SPS committee
G/TBT/N/B/DI/473/Corr.1	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda	Date of Distribution: 16 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Honey butter - Corrigendum	The aim of this corrigendum is to inform WTO members that the notification G/TBT/N/BDI/473, G/TBT/N/KEN/1619, G/TBT/N/RWA/1020, G/TBT/N/TZA/1127, G/TBT/N/UGA/1931 was issued in error and it is null and void. Note: This Draft Tanzania Standard was also notified under SPS committee
G/TBT/N/C/AN/721	Canada	Date of Distribution: 16 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 14 July 2024	Fish products	Proposed rule – The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) is proposing to update and amend the service fee regulations associated with fish import inspection in Part 16 of the CFIA Fees Notice. Specifically, the CFIA is proposing to remove the reference to the Quality Management Program in Section 4 and Table 2 and establish a single inspection service fee for all imported fish products. This amendment is part of a broader cost recovery modernization initiative that aims, among other objectives, to align the CFIA Fees Notice with modernized regulations such as the Safe Food for Canadians Regulations. This change will not impact the service delivery to importers but will lower the cost for some businesses to import fish and fish products into Canada.

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

G/TBT/N/ISR/1342	Israel	Date of Distribution: 16 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Dietary supplements	The Ministry of Health published a new draft of regulations titled "Protection of Public Health Regulations (Food) (Import of dietary supplements by a Proper Importer) 5783-2024. The current import regime includes obtaining prior approval for importing dietary supplements, including importing raw materials, and performing a release procedure after inspection at the quarantine station.
G/TBT/NT/UR/83/Rev.1	Türkiye	Date of Distribution: 16 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Contaminants in foodstuffs - Revision	This Communiqué is to establish sampling and analysis method criteria for the official control of trace elements and processing contaminants in food. It also establishes the performance criteria with which the method of analysis used for official control has to be complied. Communiqué No: 2017/7 published in the Official Gazette dated 24/02/2017 and numbered 29989 has been repealed by this Communiqué.
G/TBT/N/GTM/69/Add.2	Guatemala	Date of Distribution: 15 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Pre-packaged foods - Addendum	The Government of the Republic of Guatemala notified draft regulation "RTCA No. 67.04.60:10: Nutrition labelling of pre-packaged foods for human consumption for adults and children of over three years of age" on 11 February 2011 in document
G/TBT/NT/ZA/1133	Tanzania	Date of Distribution: 15 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Sugar cane syrup	This Tanzania Standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test for sugar cane syrup intended to be used as raw material in food and other industries such as catering purposes, soft drinks and pharmaceutical industries.
G/TBT/NT/ZA/1134	Tanzania	Date of Distribution: 15 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Honey butter	This Tanzania standard prescribes the requirements, sampling and test methods for honey butter intended for human consumption. This standard does not cover honey milk butter (mixture of honey and milk butter)
G/TBT/N/BOL/3/Add.13	Plurinational State of Bolivia	Date of Distribution: 14 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Labelling of products destined directly or indirectly for human consumption - Addendum	Bolivia has issued Administrative Decision No. 022/2024, which updates the list of food species containing events of genetically modified organisms that are subject to labelling requirements and internationally authorized for use in the production of, and for use as, human and animal foodstuffs.
G/TBT/N/BRA/1539	Brazil	Date of Distribution: 14 May 2024 Deadline for	Food exempt from market registration, cosmetics, hygiene products and	This Resolution contains provisions on exceptional and temporary actions to be adopted by the Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency (ANVISA) for the international donation of food exempt from market registration, cosmetics, hygiene

		Comments: Not indicated	sanitizing products	products and sanitizing products subject to health inspection, to combat the state of public calamity resulting from events climate in the State of Rio Grande do Sul. This regulation will also be notified to the SPS Committee
G/TBT/N/PAN/130/Add.1	Panama	Date of Distribution: 14 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 13 June 2024	Pre-packaged foods - Addendum	The Republic of Panama hereby advises that the comment period for the RTCA on nutrition labelling of pre-packaged foods for human consumption intended for adults and children over 3 years of age, notified on 15 March 2024 in document

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,

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