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### 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 October 26 to November 1, 2024

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from: Tanzania, United Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain, The State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Yemen, India, Brazil, and Myanmar

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/1194</a>	Tanzania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 1 November 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 December 2024	Fresh dandelion greens-	This standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test of dandelion greens consisting of either plants or cut leaves of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Taraxacum officinale</i> F.H. Wigg. to be supplied fresh to the consumer; dandelion greens for industrial processing being excluded.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/1195</a>	Tanzania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 1 November 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 December 2024	Fresh rhubarb	This standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test of leaf stalks of rhubarb of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Rheum rhabarbarum</i> L. to be supplied fresh to the consumer, rhubarb for industrial processing being excluded.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/1196</a>	Tanzania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 1 November 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 December 2024	Fresh apples	This Tanzania Standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and tests of fresh apples of the species <i>Malus domestica</i> of the rosaceae family.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/1197</a>	Tanzania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 1 November 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 December 2024	Leafy vegetables	This standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test of leafy vegetables to be supplied fresh to the consumers; leafy vegetables for industrial processing being excluded. The following is the representative list of the common leafy vegetable varieties; a) Night shade ( <i>Solanum vilosum/ nigrum</i> ) - Mnavu/ mnavu b) Ethiopian Mustard ( <i>Brasica carinata</i> ) - Figiri/Loshuu/saro c) Collard greens ( <i>Brassica oleracea var. viridis</i> ) - Sukuma wiki d) Kale ( <i>Brassica oleracea L. var.sabellica</i> ) - sukuma wiki e) Swiss chard ( <i>Beta vulgaris forma cicla</i> ) - Chards f) Amaranth- ( <i>Amaranthus spp.</i> ) - Mchicha g) Sweet potato leaves ( <i>Ipomea batata</i> ) - Matembele h) Cassava leaves ( <i>Manihot esculentum</i> ) - Kismvu i) Pumpkin leaves ( <i>Cucurbit pepo</i> ) -

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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/1198</a>	Tanzania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 1 November 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 December 2024	Fresh watermelons	This standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test of watermelons of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Citrullus lanatus</i> to be supplied fresh to the consumer, watermelons for industrial processing being excluded.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/1199</a>	Tanzania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 1 November 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 31 December 2024	Fresh annonas	This standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test of the following fruits classified as "Annonas" to be supplied fresh to the consumer, annonas for industrial processing being excluded. a) Cherimoya of varieties (cultivars) grown from the species <i>Annona cherimola</i> Mill. b) Sugar apple of varieties (cultivars) grown from the species <i>Annona squamosa</i> L. c) Atemoya hybrid from the species <i>Annona cherimola</i> Mill. and <i>Annona squamosa</i> L. d) Soursop of varieties (cultivars) grown from the species <i>Annona muricata</i> L.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/635</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BH/R/720</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KW/T/700</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OM/N/543</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QA/T/694</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SA/U/1364</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YE/M/300</a>	United Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain, The State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Yemen	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 30 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 December 2024	Emmental cheese-	This Gulf Standard applies to Emmental cheese intended for direct consumption or further processing in conformity with the description in this Standard.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/636</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BH/R/721</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KW/T/701</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OM/N/544</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QA/T/695</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SA/U/1365</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YE/M/301</a>	United Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain, The State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Yemen	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 30 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 December 2024	Cream analogue pasteurized, sterilized, and ultra-high heat-treated	This standard applies to basic requirements with cream analogue pasteurized, sterilized, and ultra-high heat-treated.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/</a>	United	<b>Date of</b>	Bread	This Gulf technical regulation is concerned

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<a href="#">ARE/637</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BH/R/722</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KW/T/702</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OM/N/545</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QA/T/696</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SA/U/1366</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YE/M/302</a>	Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain, The State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Yemen	<b>Distribution:</b> 30 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 December 2024		with the requirements that shall be met in wheat flour bread, and does not include other grain flour bread and other types not specified in this standard and types of bread used for special dietary.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/638</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BH/R/723</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KW/T/703</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OM/N/546</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QA/T/697</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SA/U/1367</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YE/M/303</a>	United Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain, The State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Yemen	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 30 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 December 2024	Barley flour	This GCC Technical regulation applies to barley flour intended for direct human consumption from barley grains ( <i>Hordeum vulgare</i> ) excluding sprouted barley flour (Malt).
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/639</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BH/R/724</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KW/T/704</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OM/N/547</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QA/T/698</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SA/U/1368</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YE/M/304</a>	United Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain, The State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Yemen	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 30 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 December 2024	Chami (sour milk curd)	This Gulf Technical regulation concerns the requirements that shall be met in the Chami (Sour Milk Curd) according to the description contained in item 1.3 of this standard, which is intended for direct human consumption.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IND/349</a>	India	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 30 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 December 2024	Hygienic requirement for primary milk producers	Draft Food Safety and Standards (Licensing and Registration of Food Business) Amendment Regulations, 2024, provision for Digitizing the Issuance of License and Registration and hygienic requirement for Primary Milk producers
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IND/350</a>	India	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 30 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 December 2024	Food safety and standards (import) amendment regulations	TheDraftFood Safety and Standards (Import) Amendment Regulations, 2024 is related to Reference of Methods of Analysis and Signing Authority for primary and appeal samples in Food Safety and Standards (Import) Regulations
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IND/351</a>	India	<b>Date of Distribution:</b>	Fatty acid composition of	TheDraftFood Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives)

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		30 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 December 2024	milk fat extracted from milk and milk products	Amendment Regulations, 2024 is related to fatty acid composition of milk fat extracted from milk and milk products, Standards for fermented milk products, Interesterified vegetable fat/Oil, Fat Spread, Haleem, garam masala, dried peppermint, Appendix A and Appendix C.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IND/352</a>	India	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 30 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 29 December 2024	Sal-seed fat	Draft Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Amendment Regulations, 2024 for omission of provision related to restriction on the sale of Sal-seed fat.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/451/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BHR/555/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KWT/442/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OMN/388/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QAT/553/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SAU/1095/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YEM/156/Add.2</a>	United Arab Emirates, the Kingdom of Bahrain, the State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Yemen	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 29 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Food products - Addendum	On 13 November 2018, The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia notified the WTO (G/TBT/N/SAU/1095) on this regulation. This addendum includes new definitions and modifications as shown in the following:  - Complementary References (provision no.2).  - Definitions (provision no.3).  - General requirements (provision no.4).  - Supplementary (additional) Nutrition Information (provision no.6).Please note that the link to the modified measure has been included in this addendum.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/541/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BHR/633/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KWT/599/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OMN/469/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QAT/620/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SAU/1248/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YEM/227/Add.2</a>	Kingdom of Bahrain, The State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 29 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Health and nutrition claims on food products - Addendum	On 15 June 2022, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia notified the WTO (G/TBT/N/SAU/1248) on this regulation. This addendum includes modifications as shown in the following:  - Complementary References (provision no.2).  - List of not Permitted nutrition and health Claims to be Used on Foods (provision no.5).  - Editorial amendment (Table 1).Please note that the link to the modified measure has been included in this addendum.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/634</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BHR/719</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KWT</a>	United Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain,	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 29 October 2024	Maximum residue limits (MRLs) for heavy metals in foods	This GCC Technical regulation is concerned with the maximum residue limits (MRLs) for heavy metals in foods (arsenic, arsenic (inorganic), mercury, cadmium, lead, and tin).

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<a href="#">T/699</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OM/N/542</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QA/T/693</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SA/U/1363</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YE/M/299</a>	the State of Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Yemen	<b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 28 December 2024	(arsenic, arsenic (inorganic), mercury, cadmium, lead, and tin)-	
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/632</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BH/R/717</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KW/T/696</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OM/N/540</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QA/T/691</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SA/U/1361</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YE/M/297</a>	United Arab Emirates	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 27 December 2024	Milk powder analogue	This GSO draft technical regulation concerns the general requirement for skimmed milk analogue, intended for direct consumption or further processing, and is in conformity with the definition mentioned in item 3 of this standard. All items are compulsory (Items)
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ARE/633</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/BH/R/718</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KW/T/697</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/OM/N/541</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/QA/T/692</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/SA/U/1362</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/YE/M/298</a>	United Arab Emirates	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 27 December 2024	Edible vegetables oils	This GSO draft technical regulation concerns to the requirement of edible vegetables oils mentioned in item 3 of this standard.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/1573</a>	Brazil	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	International health certification with the use of electronic signature : products of animal origin	The Department of Inspection of Products of Animal Origin (DIPOA), of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock of Brazil, implemented, in its computerized system, a new security tool regarding the authenticity of Transit Documents, allowing the issuance of International Sanitary Certificates (CSI) for edible and non-edible products of animal origin, originating from establishments registered with the Federal Inspection Service - SIF, with the use of electronic signature. The new security tool implemented includes: a) Electronic signature: International Sanitary Certificates will be signed electronically, with two-factor verification by the system, recording the full name of the official server responsible for issuing them, their position and the number of their Functional Identification Card (CIF), in addition to the date and time the certificate was approved in the system. b) QR Code for checking the Sanitary Certificate issued: allows verification and security of the information validated by the Service. With the implementation of this new tool, the sanitary

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				certificate is issued in PDF format, with greater agility, security and sustainability, eliminating the need for printing, manual signature and application of stamps. In this notification, the Department of Inspection of Products of Animal Origin (DIPOA), of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock of Brazil, announces that the International Sanitary Certificates of standard model (used for exports to countries with which Brazil does not have a bilaterally agreed certificate model) will now be issued with electronic signature, maintaining manual signature and stamps only in cases where the system is unavailable (contingency measure). Finally, we inform the countries importing products of animal origin and products for animal feed that a period of 180 days will be given for entry into force, starting from the date of publication in the WTO.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MMR/10</a>	Myanmar	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 28 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Formulated food for infant and young child	This Notification is to inform WTO Members that Myanmar Food and Drug Board of Authority Amended the following paragraph. The sub paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 of the Order of Marketing of Formulated Food for Infant and Young Child shall be substituted as follows: (b) Young child means a child from 6 months to 3 years of age. The sub paragraph (a) of paragraph 8 of the Order of Marketing of Formulated Food for Infant and Young Child shall be substituted as follows: (a) Not suitable for child under 3 years of age.

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