



# WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS BULLETIN

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This publication seeks to provide cohesive information in a weekly basis on the foreign notifications of the WTO members under the TBT agreement on their proposed technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures.

Philippine exporters and relevant stakeholders are invited to review the proposed regulations. Comments that will be received by the BPS will be transmitted to the governments concerned for their consideration.

### IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE

Notifications from fourteen (14) WTO Members from Asia, Europe, Africa, North and South America.

We would like to hear from you. For any questions, suggestions or requests for full text of notified regulations, please contact us at [bps@dti.gov.ph](mailto:bps@dti.gov.ph)

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## LIST OF WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (12-18 SEPTEMBER 2015)

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
ALBANIA	18/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ALB/73</a>	Chemicals <i>Draft Decision of Council of Ministers "On the classification, packaging and labelling of chemicals"</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
BRAZIL	15/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/339/Add.5</a>	Toys <i>Proposing adjustments to the Conformity Assessment Procedures for toys</i>	—
	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/599/Add.1</a>	Fire extinguishing powder <i>This aims at setting up essential procedures to assess a compulsory certification for powder fire fighting, which must be held by a third party accredited by Inmetro.</i>	—
	17/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/646</a>	Cribs and cradles for domestic use <i>Establishes the necessary safety technical requirements to assess the conformity of children's cribs/cradles.</i>	1 October 2015
COLOMBIA	18/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/COL/214</a>	Détergents et savons Detergents and Soap <i>(Not yet available in English)</i>	14 December 2015

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EUROPEAN UNION	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/308</a>	Biocidal products <i>Draft Commission Implementing Decision not to approve PHMB (1600; 1.8) as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-types 1, 6 and 9</i>	60 days from notification
	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/309</a>	Biocidal products <i>Draft Commission Implementing Regulation approving PHMB (1600; 1.8) as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-types 2, 3, 11</i>	60 days from notification
	15/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/310</a>	Biocidal products <i>Draft Commission Implementing Regulation approving PHMB (1600; 1.8) as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-type 4</i>	60 days from notification
	15/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/311</a>	Biocidal products <i>Draft Commission Implementing Decision not approving triclosan as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-type 1</i>	60 days from notification
	15/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/312</a>	Biocidal products <i>Draft Commission Implementing Decision not approving 2-butanone peroxide as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-types 1 and 2</i>	60 days from notification
	15/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/313</a>	Biocidal products <i>Draft Commission Implementing Regulation approving biphenyl-2-ol as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-types 1, 2, 4, 6 and 13</i>	60 days from notification
	15/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/314</a>	Biocidal products <i>Draft Commission Implementing Regulation approving C(M)IT/MIT (3:1) as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-types 2, 4, 6, 11, 12 and 13</i>	60 days from notification
	15/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/315</a>	Biocidal products <i>Draft Commission Implementing Decision not approving cybutryne as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-type 21</i>	60 days from notification

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	18/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/316</a>	Pesticides - 3-decen-2-one <i>Draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the non-approval of the active substance 3-decen-2-one, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market</i>	60 days from notification
INDONESIA	15/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IDN/1/Add.3</a>	Wheat flour for foodstuff <i>Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 35/M-IND/PER/3/2011 has been replaced by Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 59/M-IND/PER/7/2015 concerning Mandatory Implementation of Indonesia National Standard for Wheat Flour as Foodstuff.</i>	—
	18/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/IDN/102</a>	Processed food <i>Draft Regulation of the Chairman of NADFC-RI on the Control of Processed Food Advertising Control</i>	60 days from notification
JAPAN	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/JPN/499</a>	Pharmaceutical products <i>Partial amendment to the Minimum Requirements for Radiopharmaceuticals</i>	24 September 2015
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/602</a>	EMC (electromagnetic compatibility) regulation <i>Draft amendment of Technical criterion for Electromagnetic Compatibility</i>	60 days from notification
MEXICO	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MEX/287/Add.1</a>	Terminal equipment connected or interconnected via wireline access to a public telecommunications network <i>(Not yet available in English)</i>	—
	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MEX/292</a>	Machines, appareils et matériels électriques et leurs parties <i>(Not yet available in English)</i>	19 October 2015
	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MEX/293</a>	Médicaments Drugs <i>(Not yet available in English)</i>	—
	18/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MEX/294</a>	Produits pharmaceutiques Pharmaceutical products <i>(Not yet available in English)</i>	—
NEW ZEALAND	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/NZL/72</a>	Asbestos containing products <i>Consultation on a Proposed Prohibition on Asbestos-Containing Products</i>	1 November 2015

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THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TPKM/214</a>	Power press or shearing machinery and similar equipment  <i>Proposal for Amendment to Legal Inspection Requirements for Power Press or Shearing Machinery and Similar Equipment</i>	60 days from notification
TURKEY	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TUR/67</a>	Erucic acid in certain foodstuffs  <i>Turkish Food Codex Communique on the methods of sampling and performance criteria for the methods of analysis for the official control of the levels of erucic acid in certain foodstuffs</i>	15 November 2015
UGANDA	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/506</a>	Base paper for waxed bread wrap  <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 860:2015, Base paper for waxed paper for bread wrap - Specification.</i>	60 days from notification
	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/507</a>	Facial tissue paper  <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 862:2015, Facial tissue paper – Specification</i>	60 days from notification
	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/508</a>	General-purpose paper  <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 863:2015, Cut-size paper - Specification – Part 1, General-purpose paper</i>	60 days from notification
	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/509</a>	Paper serviettes/napkins  <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 861:2015, Paper serviettes/napkins - Specification</i>	60 days from notification
	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/510</a>	Photocopy paper  <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 863-2:2015, Cut-size paper - Specification - Part 2, Photocopy paper</i>	60 days from notification
	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/511</a>	Corrugated fibre board boxes for general packaging  <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 865:2015, Corrugated fibre board boxes for general packaging -Specification</i>	60 days from notification
	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/512</a>	Multi-wall paper sacks for packaging of cement  <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 866:2015, Multi-wall paper sacks for packaging of cement - Specification</i>	60 days from notification
	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/513</a>	Waxed paper for bread wrap  <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 867:2015, Waxed paper for bread wrap - Specification</i>	60 days from notification

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	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/514</a>	Natural and extensible kraft paper <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 868:2015, Sack kraft paper - Part 1, Natural and extensible kraft paper – Specification</i>	60 days from notification
	14/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/515</a>	Wrapping paper <i>Standard : DUS DEAS 869:2015, Wrapping paper - Specification</i>	60 days from notification
UNITED STATES	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/705/Add.2/Corr.1</a>	Heavy vehicles <i>Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Electronic Stability Control Systems for Heavy Vehicles - Correction</i>	–
	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/829/Corr.1</a>	Processes in the food industry, meat, meat products and other animal produce <i>Descriptive Designation for Needle- or Blade-Tenderized (Mechanically Tenderized) Beef Products - Proposed rule; correction</i>	–
	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/893/Add.5</a>	Food labelling <i>Food Labeling: Revision of the Nutrition and Supplement Facts Labels; Administrative Docket Update; Availability - Proposed rule; notification</i>	13 October 2015
	18/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/974/Add.2</a>	Residential furnaces <i>Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Furnaces - Notice of data availability</i>	14 October 2015
	17/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1011/Add.3</a>	Vehicle emissions <i>Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Fuel Efficiency Standards for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Engines and Vehicles - Phase 2 - Proposed rule; extension of comment period</i>	1 October 2015
	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1014/Add.2</a>	Toys <i>Toys; Determination Regarding Heavy Elements Limits for Unfinished and Untreated Wood - Withdrawal of direct final rule</i>	10 September 2015
VIETNAM	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/VNM/76</a>	Trucks and trailers <i>Draft National Technical Regulation No. 1:2015 amending Technical Regulation QCVN 11: 2011/BGTVT on Safety for Trailer and Semi-Trailer</i>	60 days from date of notification

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	16/09/2015	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/88/Rev.1</a>	Maize, maize seed <i>Regulations relating to the grading, packing and marking of maize products intended for sale in the Republic of South Africa in terms of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No. 119 of 1990)</i>	6 November 2015