

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 three (3) WTO Members from Europe and North America are listed.

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

We are glad to be of service to you!

You can expect that, at BPS, we aim HIGH!

LIST OF WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (19—25 DECEMBER 2015)

| Country | Date Notified | TBT Notification Symbol | Product Coverage / Title | Final Date for Comments |
|---------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| HUNGARY | 21/12/2015 | G/TBT/N/HUN/31 | Tobacco products <i>Proposal for Government Decree on the amendment of Government Decree No. 39/2013 (of 14 February 2013) on the manufacture, placement on the market and control of tobacco products, combined warnings and the detailed rules for the application of the health-protection fine</i> | 22 March 2016 |
| REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA | 21/12/2015 | G/TBT/N/MDA/29 | Market surveillance The draft Law "On Amendment and Supplementing Certain Acts" | 60 days from notification |
| | 21/12/2015 | G/TBT/N/MDA/30 | Market surveillance <i>The draft Law "On Market Surveillance"</i> | 60 days from notification |

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| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | 21/12/2015 | G/TBT/N/USA/661/Add.4 | Non-compressor residential refrigeration products – Addendum <i>Energy Conservation Standards and Test Procedure for Miscellaneous Refrigeration Products: Notice of Data Availability; Request for Information</i> | no later than 14 January 2016 |
| | 21/12/2015 | G/TBT/N/USA/1014/Add.3 | Toys – Addendum <i>Toys: Determination Regarding Heavy Elements Limits for Unfinished and Untreated Wood</i> – Final rule is effective on 19 January 2016 | — |
| | 22/12/2015 | G/TBT/N/USA/1049/Add.1 | Refrigerants – Addendum <i>Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Update to the Refrigerant Management Requirements Under the Clean Air Act; Extension of Comment Period</i> | on or before 25 January 2016 |
| | 22/12/2015 | G/TBT/N/USA/1054 | Organic food <i>National Organic Program (NOP); Sunset 2016 Amendments to the National List</i> | 16 February 2016 |