



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 ten (10) 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

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LIST OF WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (22-31 JULY 2015)

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
ARGENTINA	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ARG/284/Add.1	Herbal medicines, plant-based drugs and preparations of plant-based drugs	—
	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ARG/284/Add.2	Herbal medicines, plant-based drugs and preparations of plant-based drugs	—
CANADA	29/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CAN/98/Rev.2	<i>Cribs and cradles</i> <i>Proposed Cribs, Cradles and Bassinets Regulations</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed CCBR of the Canada Consumer Product Safety Act (CCPSA) would repeal and replace the existing CCBR, which were promulgated under the Hazardous Products Act. 	8 October 2015
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CAN/459	Radiocommunications <i>Radiocommunication Act - Notice No. SMSE-014-15 - Release of RSS-170</i>	16 October 2015
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CAN/460	Radiocommunications <i>Radiocommunication Act - Notice No. SMSE-011-15 - Release of RSS-310, Issue 4</i>	16 October 2015

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	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CAN/461	Radiocommunications <i>Radiocommunications Act - Notice No. SMSE-009-15 – Release of new issue of RSS-139</i>	15 October 2015
	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CAN/462	Tobacco products <i>Bill No. 90 (as passed) - Amendment to the Tobacco Access Act (Chapter 26 of the Acts of 2015)</i>	Not applicable
CHINA	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CHN/1120	Feed additives - Ferrous sulphate monohydrate <i>National Standard of the People's Republic of China</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CHN/1121	Feed additives - Choline chloride <i>National Standard of the People's Republic of China</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CHN/1122	Feed additives - Calcium citrate <i>National Standard of the People's Republic of China</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CHN/1123	Feed additives - Vitamin B6 (Pyridoxine Hydrochloride) <i>National Standard of the People's Republic of China</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CHN/1124	Feed additives - Vitamin D3 (powder form) <i>National Standard of the People's Republic of China</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CHN/1125	Feed additives - Menadione sodium bisulfite (Vitamin K3) <i>National Standard of the People's Republic of China</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CHN/1126	Feed additives - Nicotinic acid <i>National Standard of the People's Republic of China</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CHN/1127	Feed additives - Nicotinamide <i>National Standard of the People's Republic of China</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/CHN/1128	Feed additives - B-Carotene (synthetic) <i>National Standard of the People's Republic of China</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
DOMINICA	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/DMA/12	Concrete aggregates <i>Specification For Concrete Aggregates</i>	18 September 2015

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	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/DMA/13	Tyres <i>Standard : Passenger Car Tyres and Rims: Part 1: Tyres (Metric Series)</i>	18 September 2015
EUROPEAN UNION	28/07/2015	G/TBT/N/EU/302	Cosmetics <i>Draft Commission Regulation amending Annexes IV and VI to Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on cosmetic products</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This aims at authorizing Zinc Oxide, including as a nano-material, as a UV-filter, and Carbon Black (nano), as a colorant, in cosmetics. 	60 days from notification
ISRAEL	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ISR/666/Add.2	Mattresses <i>Standards: SI 5418</i> <i>The following requirements will enter into force on 17 March 2016:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resistant to ignition source: match flame equivalent • Marking with a "flame symbol" 	—
	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ISR/672/Add.1	Aviation turbine fuel <i>The revision process of the mandatory standard 5563 has been stopped and a new draft revision will be announced soon.</i>	—
	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ISR/707/Add.1	Solar water heating systems <i>The revision process of the mandatory standard SI 579 part 1 and the voluntary standards SI 579 Parts 3, 10.1 and 10.2, that should have been replaced with SI 579 parts 1.1 and 1.2 has been stopped and a new draft revision with a different transition time should be announced soon.</i>	—
	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ISR/820	Non-alcoholic beverages <i>SI 1071 - Non-alcoholic beverages</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paragraph 2.3.2 of the existing Mandatory Standard, SI 1071, dealing with non-alcoholic beverages, is now declared voluntary. 	—
	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ISR/821	Hinge-point ladders <i>SI 1847 part 4 - Ladders: Single or multiple hinge-point ladders</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The requirements of the existing Standard, SI 1847 part 4, dealing with single or multiple hinge-point ladders, were declared mandatory 	—

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JAPAN	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/JPN/496/Add.1	Alcoholic beverages <i>Draft Notice on Establishing Labeling Standards for Manufacturing Process and Quality of Wine, etc.</i>	—
TAIWAN	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/TPKM/210/Add.1	Imported foods and related products <i>The partial amend Regulations of Inspection of Imported Foods and Related Products</i>	—
	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/TPKM/211/Add.1	Labeling of restructured meat products <i>Draft of Regulations Governing the Labeling of Restructured Meat Products</i>	—
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/858/Add.2	Commercial refrigeration equipment <i>Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Commercial Refrigeration Equipment</i> • Publication of determination	—
	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/893/Add.3	Food labelling <i>Food Labeling: Revision of the Nutrition and Supplement Facts Labels; Reopening of the Comment Period as to Specific Documents</i>	25 September 2015.
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/923/Add.1	Packaged terminal air conditioners and packaged terminal heat pumps <i>Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Packaged Terminal Air Conditioners and Packaged Terminal Heat Pumps</i>	—
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/924/Add.2	Hydrofluorocarbons <i>Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Change of Listing Status for Certain Substitutes Under the Significant New Alternatives Policy Program</i>	—
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/952/Add.1	Commercial heating, air-conditioning, and water-heating equipment <i>Standard: Energy Conservation Program for Certain Industrial Equipment: Energy Conservation Standards and Test Procedures for Commercial Heating, Air-Conditioning, and Water-Heating Equipment</i>	—
	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/961/Add.1	Extension cords <i>Substantial Product Hazard List: Extension Cords</i>	—

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	28/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/986/Add.2	Fluoroscopic equipment <i>Performance Standards for Ionizing Radiation Emitting Products; Fluoroscopic Equipment; Correction; Confirmation of Effective Date</i>	—
	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/1007/Add.1	Aircraft emissions <i>Proposed Finding That Greenhouse Gas Emissions From Aircraft Cause or Contribute to Air Pollution That May Reasonably Be Anticipated To Endanger Public Health and Welfare and Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking; Notice of Updates to Public Hearing</i>	—
	31/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/1011/Add.1	Aircraft emissions <i>Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Fuel Efficiency Standards for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Engines and Vehicles--Phase 2; Notice of Public Hearings and Comment Period</i>	17 September 2015
	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/1014/Add.1	Toys <i>Determination Regarding Heavy Elements Limits for Unfinished and Untreated Wood</i>	17 August 2015
	27/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/1015	Toxic substances <i>TSCA Section 5 Premanufacture and Significant New Use Notification Electronic Reporting</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EPA is taking direct final action to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) section 5 electronic reporting regulations. 	19 August 2015
	28/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/1016	Lamps, reflective devices, and associated equipment <i>Rear Impact Protection, Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment, Single Unit Trucks</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Petition for rulemaking regarding possible amendments to the Federal motor vehicle safety standards (FMVSSs) relating to rear impact (underride) guards. 	21 September 2015
	28/07/2015	G/TBT/N/USA/1017	Chemicals <i>Partial Exemption of Certain Chemical Substances From Reporting Additional Chemical Data</i>	21 September 2015
SOUTH AFRICA	28/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ZAF/83/Rev.1	Fresh apples <i>Regulations relating to the grading, packing and marking of apples intended for sale in the Republic of South Africa</i>	60 days from notification

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	28/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ZAF/84/Rev.1	Fresh pears <i>Regulations relating to the grading, packing and marking of pears for sale in the Republic of South Africa</i>	60 days from notification
	29/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ZAF/131/Rev.1	Bird's eggs in shell (fresh) <i>Regulations regarding the grading, packing and marking of eggs destined for sale in the Republic of South Africa</i>	60 days from notification
	28/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ZAF/143/Rev.1	Table grapes, grapes, fresh or dried <i>The proposed regulations covers the quality and food standard for table grapes, the packing requirements, marking requirements, sampling procedures, methods of inspection and offences and penalties</i>	60 days from notification
	30/07/2015	G/TBT/N/ZAF/191	Disinfectants <i>The amendment of the Compulsory Specification for Chemical Disinfectants - VC 8054</i>	60 days from notification