



# 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 eighteen (18) WTO Members from Asia, Europe, Africa, North and South 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](mailto:bps@dti.gov.ph)

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## LIST OF WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (02-08 JANUARY 2016)

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
ARGENTINA	07/01/2016	G/TBT/N/ARG/272/Add.3	Tobacco products–Addendum  <i>Design Standard applicable to the packaging, sale and consumption of tobacco products – Resolution No. 2236/2015 modifies Resolution No. 497/2012 (G / TBT / N / ARG / 272 )</i>	–
BRAZIL	05/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/116/Add.4	Toys– Addendum  <i>Mercosur Draft Technical Resolution number 01/03, on technical and security requirements as well as conformity assessment procedures for toys – The Ordinance N° 597 prohibits certification and marketing of toys known as 'Acquadots and Bindeez' containing the substance 1,4 butanodiol a pharmacologically active sedative prodrug, aiming to safeguard accidents</i>	4 January 2016

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	05/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/291/Add.4	<p>Packaging reconditioned used in land transport of hazardous products— Addendum</p> <p><i>Draft Ministerial Act for packaging used in land transport of hazardous products – The Ordinance N° 601, approving the Quality Technical requirements for portable tanks, bulk containers (IBC), used in land transport of certain dangerous goods in order to improve the mandatory requirements compliance related to the product safety</i></p>	—
	05/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/294/Add.6	<p>Portable tanks used in land transport of hazardous goods – Addendum</p> <p><i>Draft Ministerial Act for portable tanks used in land transport of hazardous goods – The Ordinance N° 601 approving the Quality Technical requirements for portable tanks, bulk containers (IBC), used in land transport of certain dangerous goods in order to improve the mandatory requirements compliance related to the product safety</i></p>	—
	05/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/295/Add.4	<p>Packing used in land transport of hazardous goods – Addendum</p> <p><i>Draft Ministerial Act for packing used in land transport of hazardous goods – The Ordinance N° 601, 17 approving the Quality Technical requirements for portable tanks, bulk containers (IBC), used in land transport of certain dangerous goods in order to improve the mandatory requirements compliance related to the product safety</i></p>	—
	04/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/339/Add.6	<p>Toys – Addendum</p> <p><i>Draft Ministerial Act which procedure of certification for security of the toy – The Ordinance N° 597 prohibits certification and marketing of toys known as 'Acquadots and Bindeez' containing the substance 1,4 butanediol a pharmacologically active sedative prodrug, aiming to safeguard accidents</i></p>	4 January 2016
	04/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/494/Add.4	<p>Wires, cables and electrical cords (electrical apparatus for making connections to or in electrical circuits) – Addendum</p> <p><i>Ministerial Act (Draft Resolution) No. 387, 24 July 2012 – Ordinance n° 600 in order to make clear and approves the adequacy of the conformity assessment requirements for wires, cables and electric flexible cords, notified as G/TBT/N/BRA/494/Add.1</i></p>	4 January 2016

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	06/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/512/Add.1/Corr .1	High feeding chairs – Addendum  <i>Draft Ministerial Act on Children's Feeding Chair or Children's Feeding Seats – This corrigendum aims at establishing the technical requirements to be complied by the Children's Feeding Chair's with a focus on safety, was published with a misspelled in relation to sub items 6.1.10.1 and 6.1.10.2, erroneously written as the word 'weight', which should be read the word 'mass'</i>	–
	04/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/544/Add.2	Transmission chains – Addendum  <i>Ordinance N<sup>o</sup>. 382, 1 August 2013 – Ordinance n<sup>o</sup> 598 amending the Technical Regulation which establishes technical requirements for transmission chains (HS 731512) designed for motorcycles, scooters, mopeds, trikes and quadricycles, and others, notified as G/TBT/N/BRA/544/Add.1</i>	4 January 2016
	05/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/560/Add.2	Television – Addendum  <i>Ordinance N<sup>o</sup> 470, 23 September 2013 – Ordinance N<sup>o</sup> 617 to make some amendments, by rewording item 4<sup>o</sup> and item 5<sup>o</sup> and changing some deadlines of the Ordinance N<sup>o</sup> 563/2014, aiming to solve some difficulties reported by the Electronics Products manufacturers to adapt the productive sector to the provisions of Ordinance N<sup>o</sup> 563/2014, notified as G/TBT/N/560/Add.1</i>	–
	05/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/567/Add.5	Baby feeding bottles and nipples – Addendum  <i>Ordinance No. 576, 28 November 2013. It approves the enhancement of Conformity Assessment Requirements for baby feeding bottles and nipples – Ordinance N<sup>o</sup> 613, 21 December 2015, in order to admit in the certification process for baby bottles and bottle nipples, the presentation of statement attesting compliance with the parameters set out in the sanitary legislation</i>	8 January 2016
	04/01/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/609/Add.2	LED lamps – Addendum  <i>Inmetro Ordinance N<sup>o</sup>. 448, 03 October 2014-Conformity Assessment Program for LED Lamps with Integrated on Base Device, Through Certification – The Ordinance n<sup>o</sup> 599, 17 December 2015, aiming some adjustments to the Conformity Assessment Program for LED Lamps, notified as G/TBT/N/BRA/609/Add.1</i>	4 January 2016

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	04/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/657</a>	Prepared animal feed <i>Ordinance N° 44, 15 December 2015</i>	Not applicable
	05/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/658</a>	Portable tanks bulk containers (IBC) used in land transport of certain dangerous goods <i>Ordinance N° 601, 17 December 2015</i>	16 February 2016
	05/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/659</a>	Vehicles <i>Ordinance N° 568, 16 December 2015</i>	Not applicable
	05/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/660</a>	Vehicles (stability control system) <i>Ordinance N°. 567, 16 December 2015</i>	Not applicable
	05/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BRA/661</a>	Bicycles for children <i>Ordinance N° 615, 21 December 2015</i>	22 February 2016
CHILE	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/329</a>	Food for human consumption <i>Amendment of Article No. 1 of the Food Health Regulations on the scope thereof, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 of the Ministry of Health</i>	60 days from the date of notification
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/330</a>	Food for human consumption <i>Amendment of Article No. 105 of the Food Health Regulations on withdrawal from the market, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 of the Ministry of Health</i>	60 days from the date of notification
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/331</a>	Food for human consumption <i>Amendment of Article No. 109 of the Food Health Regulations on visibility and readability of labeling, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 of the Ministry of Health</i>	60 days from the date of notification
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/332</a>	Heavy metals in food <i>Amendment of Article No. 160 of the Food Health Regulations regarding the maximum limits of arsenic and mercury in food, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 of the Ministry of Health</i>	60 days from the date of notification
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/333</a>	Food for human consumption <i>Amendment of Article No. 275 of the Food Health Regulations on ground beef, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 of the Ministry of Health</i>	60 days from the date of notification
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/334</a>	Food for human consumption <i>Amendment of Article No. 436 of the Food Health Regulations concerning the definition of salt, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 of the Ministry of Health</i>	60 days from the date of notification

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	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/335</a>	Food for human consumption  <i>Amendment of Article No. 120 of the Food Health Regulations on nutritional descriptors, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 of the Ministry of Health</i>	60 days from the date of notification
CHINA	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1152/Rev.1</a>	Vehicles - Revision  <i>National Standard of the P.R.C. Symbols for Controls, Indicators and Tell-Tales of Motor Vehicles</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1162</a>	Seamless steel gas cylinders  <i>National Standard of the P.R.C. Seamless steel gas cylinders - Part 1: Quenched and tempered steel cylinders with tensile strength less than 1100 MPa</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1163</a>	Seamless steel gas cylinders  <i>National Standard of the P.R.C. Seamless steel gas cylinders - Part 3: Normalized cylinders</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1164</a>	Food for special medical purpose  <i>Registration Regulation for Food for Special Medical Purpose</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHN/1165</a>	Food, infant and follow-up formula  <i>Formula Registration Regulation for Infant and Follow-Up Formula</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
COLOMBIA	08/01/2016	G/TBT/N/COL/184/Add.2	Internal telecommunications networks – Addendum  <i>Draft Resolution of the Communications Regulatory Commission "Issuing the Technical Regulation on internal telecommunications networks, which establishes measures related to the design, construction and commissioning of such networks in the Republic of Colombia, along with other provisions— Resolution No. 4262 "Establishing the Technical Regulation on Internal Telecommunications Network is issued - RITEL - laying down related measures the design, construction and commissioning of internal telecommunications networks in the Republic of Colombia and other provisions " , its effects have been suspended until September 7, 2017 , by Resolution No. 4786 of September 8, 2015</i>	—

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	07/01/2016	G/TBT/N/COL/196/Add.3	Biological medicines – Addendum  <i>Draft Ministry of Health and Social Welfare Decree "Regulating the procedure to assess the quality, safety and efficacy of biological medicines for sanitary registration purposes, and adopting other provisions"– Decree No. 1782 of September 18, 2014 "which the requirements and procedure for Pharmaceutical Drug Evaluations and biological medicines in the process of establishing veterinary ", a new draft resolution by "which issued guidance biologics stability "</i>	March 18, 2016
ECUADOR	08/01/2016	G/TBT/N/ECU/249/Add.3	Household electrical appliances for cooking by induction – Addendum  <i>Emergency Technical Regulation of the Ecuadorian Standardization Institute (RTE INEN) No. 101, "Household electrical appliances for cooking by induction"– Addendum 3 corresponding to the modification 3 provides an extension of an additional 6 months of validity of the Emergency Technical Regulation and its amendments 1, 2 and 3 , covered decision and comply with the rules and provisions of the TBT Agreement.</i>	–
EUROPEAN UNION	04/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/332</a>	Cosmetics  <i>Draft Commission Regulation amending Annex V to Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on cosmetic products</i>	60 days from notification
	04/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/333</a>	Tobacco products  <i>Draft Commission Implementing Decision on technical standards for the refill mechanism of electronic cigarettes</i>	60 days from notification
	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/334</a>	Aerosol dispensers  <i>Draft Commission Directive amending Council Directive 75/324/EEC as regards the maximum allowable pressure of aerosol dispensers and to adapt its labelling provisions to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures</i>	60 days from notification

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	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/FRA/166</a>	Single use plastic bags for packing goods to outlets <i>Decree on the implementation modalities of the limitation of plastic bags for single use</i>	60 days from notification
ISRAEL	04/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/822</a>	Aviation turbine fuel <i>SI 5563 - Aviation Turbine Fuel</i>	60 days from notification
	04/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/823</a>	Frozen fruits and vegetables <i>SI 877 - Frozen fruits and vegetables</i>	60 days from notification
	04/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/824</a>	Luminaires for road and street lighting <i>SI 20 part 2.3 - Luminaires: Particular requirements - Luminaires for road and street lighting</i>	30 days from notification
	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/825</a>	Luminaires for swimming pools and similar applications <i>SI 20 part 2.18 - Luminaires: Particular requirements - Luminaires for swimming pools and similar applications</i>	30 days from notification
	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/826</a>	Electrical grills, toasters and similar portable cooking appliances <i>SI 900 part 2.9 - Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety: Particular requirements for grills, toasters and similar portable cooking appliances</i>	30 days from notification
	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/827</a>	Electric irons <i>SI 900 part 2.3 - Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety: Particular requirements for electric irons</i>	30 days from notification
	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/828</a>	Electric kitchen appliances <i>SI 900 part 2.14 - Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety: Particular requirements for kitchen</i>	30 days from notification
	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/829</a>	Electric appliances for heating liquids <i>SI 900 part 2.15 - Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety: Particular requirements for appliances for heating water</i>	30 days from notification

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	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/830</a>	Electric blankets, pads, clothing and similar flexible heating appliances <i>SI 900 part 2.17 - Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety: Particular requirements for blankets, pads, clothing and similar flexible heating appliances</i>	30 days from notification
	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/831</a>	Electric appliances for skin and hair care <i>SI 900 part 2.23 - Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety: Particular requirements for appliances for skin and hair care</i>	30 days from notification
	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/832</a>	Portable heating tools and similar electric appliances <i>SI 900 part 2.45 - Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety: Particular requirements for portable heating tools and similar appliances</i>	30 days from notification
	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/833</a>	Portable electric immersion heaters <i>SI 900 part 2.74 - Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety: Particular requirements for portable immersion heaters</i>	30 days from notification
	06/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/834</a>	Automotive spare parts <i>SI 210 - Automotive spare parts: Steering ball joint assembly</i>	30 days from notification
JAPAN	04/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/JPN/512</a>	Passenger vehicles <i>Revision to Ministerial Ordinance and Notification of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) and Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT) for the Act on the Rational Use of Energy</i>	60 days from notification
KENYA	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KEN/454</a>	Animal feeding stuffs <i>KS 458: 2015 - Common Salt and Mineral Supplements for Livestock - Specification</i>	21 January 2016



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	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KEN/455</a>	Insulated (including enamelled or anodised) wire, cable (including co-Axial cable) and other insulated electric conductors, whether or not fitted with connectors; optical fibre cables, made up of individually sheathed fibres, whether or not assembled with electric conductors or fitted with connectors (HS: 8544) . Electrical wires and cables (ICS: 29.060)  <i>DKS 1022:2015 - Specification for 600/1000 V PVC insulated single-phase concentric cables with copper or aluminium conductors for electricity supply</i>	1 February 2016
	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KEN/456</a>	Mozzarella cheese  <i>DKS 2193: 2015 - Mozzarella Cheese - Specification</i>	7 February 2016
	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KEN/457</a>	Milk and milk products  <i>DKS 1552: 2015 - Code of hygienic practice for milk and milk products</i>	7 February 2016
	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KEN/458</a>	Pasteurized goat milk  <i>DKS 2191: 2015 - Pasteurized goat milk - Specification</i>	7 February 2016
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/620</a>	Health functional food products  <i>Proposed amendments to the Labeling Standards for Health Functional Foods</i>	60 days from notification
MEXICO	08/01/2016	G/TBT/N/MEX/289/Add.1	Life jackets – Addendum  <i>Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-006-SCT4-2012: Technical requirements to be met by life jackets – Public consultation the draft Mexican Official Standard NOM- 006-SCT4 -2012 , technical specifications must comply lifejackets.</i>	—
MALAYSIA	04/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MYS/64</a>	Salt  <i>Draft Amendment of Regulation 283 Salt, Regulation 284 Table Salt and Regulation 285 Iodised Table Salt or Iodised Salt of the Food Regulations 1985</i>	60 days from notification
KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	05/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SAU/907</a>	Vehicle tires  <i>Draft for update of the technical regulation No. SASO 2857:2015 "Vehicle Tires Rolling Resistance and Wet Grip Requirements"</i>	60 days from notification

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THAILAND	06/01/2016	G/TBT/N/THA/469/Add.1	Food additives – Addendum <i>Draft Ministry of Public Health Notification, No ....B.E ... (...) entitled "Food Additives (No. 3)" – Date of entry into force: On the date after being notified in the Official Gazette (4 December 2015)</i>	–
THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	06/01/2016	G/TBT/N/TPKM/221/Add.1	Labelling of agro-pesticides – Addendum <i>The interpretive guidance of "Amendment of Article 5 and Article 6 of Regulations for the Labelling of Agro-pesticide", as per G/TBT/N/TPKM/221, is issued</i>	–
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TPKM/226</a>	Prepackaged food grade salt products <i>Public Notice (food No.1041304257) issued by Ministry of Health and Welfare: "Draft of the Regulations on Iodine Labelling for Prepackaged Food Grade Salt Products"</i>	60 days from notification
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	08/01/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/861/Add.5	Ceiling fans – Addendum <i>Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Ceiling Fan Light Kits – Final rule</i>	–
	04/01/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/914/Add.1	Hazardous materials – Addendum <i>Hazardous Materials: Requirements for the Safe Transportation of Bulk Explosives (RRR) – Final rule</i>	–
	06/01/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/934/Add.1	Ceiling fan light kits – Addendum <i>Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Ceiling Fan Light Kits – Final rule</i>	–
	06/01/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1001/Add.1	Commercial motor vehicles – Addendum <i>Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation: Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards Certification for Commercial Motor Vehicles Operated by United States-Domiciled Motor Carriers – Withdrawal</i>	–
	06/01/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1003/Add.1	Prerinse spray valves – Addendum <i>Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Commercial Prerinse Spray Valves – Final rule</i>	–
	06/01/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1022/Add.3	Commercial package air conditioning and heating equipment – Addendum <i>Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Small, Large, and Very Large Air-Cooled Commercial Package Air Conditioning and Heating Equipment – Final rule</i>	–

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	08/01/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1041/Add.4	Allowable lead content limits– Addendum  <i>Amendment To Clarify When Component Part Testing Can Be Used and Which Textile Products Have Been Determined Not To Exceed the Allowable Lead Content Limits; Delay of Effective Date and Reopening of Comment Period</i>	13 January 2016
	04/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1055</a>	Motor vehicles  <i>Rear Impact Guards, Rear Impact Protection</i>	16 February 2016
	05/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1056</a>	Sunlamp products  <i>Sunlamp Products; Proposed Amendment to Performance Standard</i>	21 March 2016
	05/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1057</a>	Chemicals  <i>List of High Priority Chemicals of Concern for Children Proposed rule notice: 11 January 2015</i>	23 November 2015
	07/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1058</a>	Hearing aids  <i>Hearing Aid Compatibility Standards</i>	26 February 2016
	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1059</a>	Sunlamp products  <i>General and Plastic Surgery Devices: Restricted Sale, Distribution, and Use of Sunlamp Products</i>	21 March 2016
ZAMBIA	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZMB/47</a>	Pure glycerine  <i>Pure glycerine – Specifies requirements for pure glycerine</i>	60 days from notification
	08/01/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZMB/48</a>	Drinking water  <i>Drinking Water Quality - Specification</i>	60 days from notification