



WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS BULLETIN

A Weekly Publication by the Bureau of Philippine Standards (BPS) of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)

Contact

Address:

3/F Trade and Industry Bldg.
Sen. Gil Puyat Ave., Makati
City

Telephone:

+632 751 4700
+632 751 3127

Telefax:

+632 751 4706

Email:

bps@dti.gov.ph

Website:

www.bps.dti.gov.ph

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 fifteen (15) 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

We are glad to be of service to you!

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

LIST OF WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (20 – 26 FEBRUARY 2016)

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
ARGENTINA	26/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ARG/211/Add.4	Gas appliances for domestic use— Addendum <i>Resolution No. 3630/2016 of the Gas Regulatory Agency issued the NAG 314 Addendum No.1 Year 2016 " Water Heaters accumulation of automatic operation (water heaters) , " the Argentine Gas Code - NAG Group III : Artifacts (G / TBT / N / ARG / 211) – The update includes aspects related to the rational use of energy and energy efficiency.</i>	—
	26/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ARG/301	Alcoholic drinks <i>Alcoholic beverages : " Wine -based product " or " wine-based drink "</i>	—
BRAZIL	24/02/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/666	Analytical methods validation <i>Draft Technical Resolution n° 129, February 12 2016, regarding analytical methods validation</i>	22 April 2016

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
CANADA	22/02/2016	G/TBT/N/CAN/481	W-18 (4-chloro-N-[1-[2-(4-nitrophenyl)ethyl]-2-piperidinyl]idene]benzenesulfonamide), its salts, derivatives, isomers and analogues and salts of derivatives, isomers and analogues (ICS: 11.120) <i>Notice to interested parties - Proposal regarding the scheduling of W-18 under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act and its Regulations</i>	13 April 2016
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/CAN/482	Radiocommunications <i>Notice No. SMSE-10-16 - Release of RSS-134, Issue 2</i>	5 May 2016
CHILE	22/02/2016	G/TBT/N/CHL/345	Safety of electrical energy consumption facilities <i>Proposal of a technical regulation on the safety of electric power consumption facilities</i> <i>The proposal also contains technical specifications for various electrical products :</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Technical Specification regulatory proposal RTIC No. 01 splices consumption facilities</i> • <i>Technical Specification regulatory proposal RTIC N ° 02 Switchboards consumption installations</i> • <i>Technical Specification regulatory proposal RTIC N ° 03 Feeders and subfeeders consumption installations</i> • <i>Proposed regulatory technical Pliego RTIC No. 04 Conductors , materials and piping systems to be used in an electrical installation consumption</i> • <i>Propuesta de Pliego técnico normativo RTIC N ° 06 Sistemas de puesta a tierra y enlaces equipotenciales en las instalaciones de consumo</i> 	60 days from the date of notification
CHINA	26/02/2016	G/TBT/N/CHN/1169	Chemical drugs <i>Work Program for the Reform of Chemical Drugs Registration Category</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
EUROPEAN UNION	26/02/2016	G/TBT/N/EU/357	Road vehicles in general <i>Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the approval and market surveillance of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles (COM/2016/031 final)</i>	90 days from date of notification
	26/02/2016	G/TBT/N/EU/358	Biocidal products <i>Draft Commission Implementing Regulation approving Amines, N-C10-C16-alkyltrimethylenedi-, reaction products with chloroacetic acid as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 2, 3 and 4</i>	60 days from notification
GEORGIA	22/02/2016	G/TBT/N/GEO/93	Buildings <i>Technical Regulation on "Safety Rules for Buildings" approved by Decree of The Government of Georgia 28 January 2016 No.41</i>	—
ISRAEL	23/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/864	Diaper changing units <i>SI 5115 part 1 - Changing units: Changing units for domestic use - Safety requirements</i>	60 days from notification
	23/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/865	Diaper changing units <i>SI 5115 part 2 - Changing units: Changing units for domestic use - Test methods</i>	60 days from notification
	23/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/866	Soothers <i>SI 1157 - Child use and care articles - Soothers for babies and young children - Safety requirements and test methods</i>	60 days from notification
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/867	Children's high chairs <i>SI 14988 - Children's High Chairs: Safety Requirements</i>	60 days from notification
	26/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/868	Low-voltage switchgear and control gear assemblies <i>First amendment to SI 61439 Part 4 - Low-Voltage Switchgear and Controlgear Assemblies: Particular Requirements for Assemblies for Construction Sites (ACS)</i>	60 days from notification

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
	26/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/869	Protective clothing <i>SI 1258 part 4 - Protective clothing: High-visibility warning clothing - test methods and requirements</i>	60 days from notification
	26/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/870	Lifting platforms for person with impaired mobility <i>SI 2252 part 2 - Power-operated lifting platforms for persons with impaired mobility - Rules for safety, dimensions and functional operation: Powered stairlifts for seated, standing and wheelchair users moving in an inclined plane</i>	60 days from notification
	26/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/871	Ladders <i>SI 1847 part 2 - Ladders: Requirements, testing, marking</i>	60 days from notification
KYRGYZ REPUBLIC	24/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/34	Technical devices with the property to create electromagnetic interference <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On electromagnetic compatibility of technical devices" (TR CU 020/2011)</i>	No comment can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/35	Grain <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On Safety of Grain" (TR CU 015/2012)</i>	This technical regulation has been enforced urgently due to accession of the Kyrgyz Republic to the EAEU.
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/36	Low voltage equipment <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On safety of low-voltage equipment"</i>	No comment can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force.
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/37	Lubricants, oil and specialized liquids <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On requirements for lubricants, oil and specialized liquids" (TR CU 030/2012)</i>	No comments can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force.
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/38	Perfume and cosmetic products <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On Safety of Perfume and Cosmetic Products"</i>	No comments can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force.

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/39	Special personal protection means such as clothing, shoes, underwear, eye glasses, gloves, oxygen masks, protective suits, personal protection kits <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On Safety of Personal Protection Means"</i>	No comments can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force.
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/40	Equipment working under excessive pressure <i>Technical regulation "On Safety of Equipment Working Under Excessive Pressure" TR CU 032/2013</i>	No comments can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force.
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/41	Devices to use gaseous fuel <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On Safety of Devices Using Gaseous Fuel" (TR CU 016/2011)</i>	No comments can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force.
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/42	Motor roads <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On Safety of Motor Roads" (TR CU 014/2011)</i>	No comments can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force.
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/43	Wheeled vehicles, chassis of vehicles, vehicle components that affect vehicle safety <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On safety of wheeled transportation vehicles"</i>	No comments can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force.
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/KGZ/44	Small sized vessels, equipment for small sized vessels, life rescuing devices <i>Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union "On safety of small sized vessels" (TR CU 026/2012)</i>	No comments can be handled due to urgent entry of this technical regulation into force.
MALAYSIA	23/02/2016	G/TBT/N/MYS/66	Pharmaceutics <i>Directives for the assessment of the inspection reports bioequivalence study (BE) for product registration and notification BE studies</i>	60 days from notification
	23/02/2016	G/TBT/N/MYS/67	Pharmaceutical products <i>Examination Requirements Directives on Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) Abroad for the Purpose of the Registration / Re-Registration of Pharmaceutical Product Registered With the Drug Control Authority (DCA)</i>	60 days from notification

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
OMAN	24/02/2016	G/TBT/N/OMN/247	Canned mangoes <i>Canned Mangoes</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	24/02/2016	G/TBT/N/OMN/248	Dried okra <i>Dried okra</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	24/02/2016	G/TBT/N/OMN/249	Fresh beef, buffalo, mutton, goat and camel meat <i>Fresh beef, buffalo, mutton, goat and camel meat</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	24/02/2016	G/TBT/N/OMN/250	Fruit juices and nectars <i>General Standard for Fruit Juices and Nectars</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	24/02/2016	G/TBT/N/OMN/251	Honey <i>Honey</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	24/02/2016	G/TBT/N/OMN/252	Peanut butter <i>Peanut butter</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
THAILAND	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/THA/454/Add.1	Glazing materials for vehicles - Addendum <i>Thai Industrial Standard for Safety Glazing Materials for Vehicles (TIS 2602-2556(2013)) issued by Thai Industrial Standards Institute, notified under G/TBT/N/THA/454, was adopted on 22 August 2015 and will enter into force after 365 days from the date of publication in the Official Gazette (26 August 2016)</i>	—
THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	23/02/2016	G/TBT/N/TPKM/185/Rev.1	Specific dietary foods for patients - Revision <i>Public Notice (food No. 1041304415) issued by the Ministry of Health and Welfare: Draft for Regulations governing the labelling of special dietary foods for patients</i>	60 days from notification
	22/02/2016	G/TBT/N/TPKM/216/Add.1	Prepackaged foods co-mingled with toys - Addendum <i>"Regulation Governing the Warning Label of Prepackaged Foods Co-mingled with Toys", as per G/TBT/N/TPKM/216 on 1 October 2015, was promulgated on 4 February 2016 and will come into effect on 1 January 2017.</i>	—

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	23/02/2016	G/TBT/N/ARE/305	Child restraint seats product safety specifications <i>UAE Draft Technical Regulation "Child restraint seats product safety specifications"</i>	60 days from notification
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	22/02/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1050/Add.1	Food labeling - Addendum <i>Food Labeling; Gluten-Free Labeling of Fermented or Hydrolyzed Foods; Reopening of the Comment Period</i>	25 April 2016
	22/02/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1071/Corr.1	Grain standards - Corrigendum <i>Reauthorization of the United States Grain Standards Act; Correction</i>	—
	25/02/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1071/Corr.2	Grain standards - Corrigendum <i>Reauthorization of the United States Grain Standards Act; Proposed rule; correction – Effective 22 February 2016</i>	—