



# 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 thirteen (13) 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 (26 MARCH - 01 APRIL 2016)

| Country | Date Notified | TBT Notification Symbol               | Product Coverage / Title  | Final Date for Comments               |
|---------|---------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| CANADA  | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/CAN/454/Add.1</a> | Water supplied on board conveyances - Addendum<br><br><i>Potable Water on Board Trains, Vessels, Aircraft and Buses Regulations; these Regulations will enter into force on 13 September 2016.</i>  | —                                     |
|         | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/CAN/474/Add.1</a> | Prescription status of medicinal ingredients for human use - Addendum<br><br><i>Notice of Intent to Amend the Prescription Drug List (PDL): Naloxone - The purpose of this Notice of Amendment is to notify that as a result of consultation Health Canada has revised the listing for naloxone on the Prescription Drug List (PDL) .</i> | —                                     |
| CHILE   | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/348</a>       | Welded mesh for use in reinforced concrete<br><br><i>NCH 218-2009 Steel - welded wire meshes for reinforced concrete - Specifications</i>   | 60 days from the date of notification |

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|                | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/349</a> | Concrete<br><i>NCh 171-2008 Hormigón - Extracción de muestras del hormigón fresco</i>  | 60 days from the date of notification |
| CZECH REPUBLIC | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/CZE/192</a> | Fissile materials and nuclear fuel technology<br><i>Draft implementing decree concerning the type approval of some products in the field of peaceful utilization of nuclear energy and ionising radiation and the transport of a radioactive or fissile material</i>           | 60 days from notification             |
| EUROPEAN UNION | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/371</a>  | Fertilisers<br><i>Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules on the making available on the market of CE marked fertilising products and amending Regulations (EC) No 1069/2009 and (EC) No 1107/2009 (COM(2016) 157 final)</i> | 90 days from notification             |
| ISRAEL         | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/891</a> | Slabs for stairs surfacing<br><i>SI 1554 part 1 - Slabs for stairs surfacing: Slabs of terrazzo or of concrete covered with terrazzo</i>   | 60 days from notification             |
|                | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/892</a> | Slabs for stairs surfacing<br><i>SI 1554 part 2 - Slabs for stairs surfacing: Natural stone slabs</i>  | 60 days from notification             |
|                | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/893</a> | Chemicals for purification of water - Sodium hypochlorite<br><i>SI 5438 part 3 - Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption: Sodium hypochlorite</i>   | 60 days from notification             |
|                | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/894</a> | Chemicals for purification of water - Fluorosilicic acid (Hexafluorosilicic acid)<br><i>SI 5438 part 4 - Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption: Fluorosilicic acid (Hexafluorosilicic acid)</i>   | 60 days from notification             |

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|         | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/895</a> | Chemicals for purification of water - Chlorine<br><br><i>SI 5438 part 2 - Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption: Chlorine</i>  | 60 days from notification |
|         | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/896</a> | Chemicals for purification of water - Virgin granular activated carbon<br><br><i>SI 5438 part 13 - Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption: Virgin granular activated carbon</i>   | 60 days from notification |
|         | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/897</a> | Sharps containers<br><br><i>SI 23907 - Sharps injury protection - Requirements and test methods - Sharps containers</i>   | 60 days from notification |
|         | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/898</a> | Fire detection systems<br><br><i>SI 1220 part 10 - Fire detection systems: Audible signal appliances</i>  | 60 days from notification |
|         | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/899</a> | Hand propelled wheelchairs<br><br><i>SI 1279 part 1 - Wheelchairs: Hand propelled chairs</i>  | 60 days from notification |
|         | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/900</a> | Halwa<br><br><i>SI 7309 - Halwa</i>   | 60 days from notification |
|         | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/901</a> | Gas burning water heaters<br><br><i>SI 1296 part 1 - Domestic gas burning water heaters: Storage heaters</i>  | 60 days from notification |
|         | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/902</a> | Gas burning water heaters<br><br><i>SI 1296 part 3 - Domestic gas burning water heaters: Central heating boilers - Type B boilers fitted with atmospheric burners of nominal heat input not exceeding 70 kW</i> | 60 days from notification |
|         | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/903</a> | Wheat flour<br><br><i>SI 46 - Wheat flour</i>   | 60 days from notification |
|         | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/904</a> | Pasta<br><br><i>SI 262 - Pasta</i>  | 60 days from notification |

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|  | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/905</a>        | Condoms<br><br><i>SI 386 part 2 - Condoms: Male condoms - Requirements and test methods for condoms made from synthetic materials</i>  | 60 days from notification |
| JAPAN  | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/JPN/522</a>        | Motor cars and other motor vehicles<br><br><i>The Partial Amendment of "Public Notice that Prescribes Details of Safety Regulations for the Road Transport Vehicle"</i>                                    | 60 days from notification |
| KENYA  | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KEN/467</a>        | Disinfectants<br><br><i>DKS 2638:2016 Stable bleaching powder. Specification</i>   | 28 April 2016             |
|  | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KEN/468</a>        | Products of the chemical industry<br><br><i>DKS 2639:2016 Copper sulphate. Specification</i>   | 28 April 2016             |
|  | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KEN/469</a>        | Chemicals for purification of water - Chlorine<br><br><i>DKS 2637:2016 Chlorine tablets. Specification</i>   | 28 April 2016             |
| REPUBLIC OF KOREA  | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/634</a>        | Mobile telecommunications radio equipment<br><br><i>Partly revision draft of Technical Requirements for the Radio Equipment for Telecommunications Service</i>   | 60 days from notification |
|  | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/635</a>        | Quasi-drugs<br><br><i>Proposed amendments to the "Manufacturing Specifications of Quasi-Drugs"</i>   | 60 days from notification |
| THAILAND   | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/THA/478</a>        | Lubricating oil<br><br><i>Draft Thai Industrial Standard for Two-Stroke Gasoline Engine Lubricating Oil (TIS 1040-25xx)</i>  | 60 days from notification |
| THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/TPKM/222/Add.1</a> | Food additives - Addendum<br><br><i>Regulation of the Food Additives Shall be Conspicuously Label the Registration Number; was promulgated on 8 March 2016 and will come into effect on 1 January 2017</i> | —                         |

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|                          | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/TPKM/231</a>             | Prepackaged food grade salt products<br><br><i>Public Notice (food No.1051300008) issued by Ministry of Health and Welfare: "Draft of the Regulations on Fluorine Labelling for Prepackaged Food Grade Salt Products"</i> | 60 days from notification |
| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/854/Add.2</a>        | Boilers - Addendum<br><br><i>Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Commercial Packaged Boilers; Notice of proposed rulemaking and announcement of public meeting</i>                             | 25 April 2016             |
|                          | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/975/Add.1</a>        | Eye and face protection - Addendum<br><br><i>Updating OSHA Standards Based on National Consensus Standards; Eye and Face Protection; Final rule, effective on 25 April 2016</i>   | —                         |
|                          | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/980/Add.1/Corr.1</a> | Pumps - Corrigendum<br><br><i>Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Pumps; Correction</i>   | —                         |
|                          | 30/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/995/Add.1</a>        | Architectural glazing materials - Addendum<br><br><i>Safety Standard for Architectural Glazing Materials; Final rule, effective on 22 April 2016</i>  | —                         |
|                          | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1008/Add.1</a>       | Portable hook-on chairs - Addendum<br><br><i>Safety Standard for Portable Hook-On Chairs; Final rule, will become effective 28 September 2016</i>   | —                         |
|                          | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1091</a>             | Amusement devices<br><br><i>Amusement Devices</i>   | 14 March 2016             |
|                          | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1092</a>             | Powdered gloves<br><br><i>Banned Devices; Proposal To Ban Powdered Surgeon's Gloves, Powdered Patient Examination Gloves, and Absorbable Powder for Lubricating a Surgeon's Glove</i>                                     | 20 June 2016              |
|                          | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1093</a>             | Adult wearing apparel<br><br><i>Statement of Policy on Enforcement Discretion Regarding General Conformity Certificates for Adult Wearing Apparel Exempt From Testing</i>   | —                         |

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|              | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1094</a> | White space devices<br><i>Unlicensed White Space Devices</i>  | 6 May 2016                        |
|              | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1095</a> | Tuna products<br><i>Enhanced Document Requirements and Captain Training Requirements To Support Use of the Dolphin Safe Label on Tuna Products</i>  | 22 April 2016                     |
|              | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1096</a> | Inhalant delivery systems<br><i>Inhalant Delivery System Packaging and Labeling Rulemaking 2015</i>   | 29 April 2016                     |
|              | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1097</a> | Fire prevention code<br><i>Florida Fire Prevention Code - Standards of the National Fire Protection Association</i>   | 1 July 2016                       |
| VIET NAM     | 31/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/VNM/79</a>   | Chemicals, insecticides and disinfectants<br><i>Draft Decree regulating the management of chemicals, insecticides and disinfectants used in households and medical</i>  | 60 days from date of notification |
| SOUTH AFRICA | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/195</a>  | Pineapples<br><i>Regulations Relating to the Grading, Packaging and Marking of Pineapples intended for the sale in the Republic of South Africa</i>   | 60 days from notification         |
|              | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/196</a>  | Hot water storage tanks for domestic use<br><i>Compulsory Specification for Hot Water Storage Tanks for Domestic Use</i>  | 60 days from notification         |
|              | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/197</a>  | Flexible cords for electrical appliances<br><i>The Compulsory Specification for Flexible Cords for Electrical Appliances</i>  | 16 May 2016                       |
|              | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/198</a>  | Electrical motor-operated or magnetically driven hand-held tools, transportable tools and lawn and garden machinery<br><i>Compulsory specification covers safety of electrical motor-operated or magnetically driven hand-held tools, transportable tools and lawn and garden machinery</i> | 60 days from notification         |

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|         | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/199</a> | Low voltage switchgear and control-gear<br><br><i>VC 8035, Compulsory Specification for earth leakage protection devices</i>  | 60 days from notification |
|         | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/200</a> | Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons<br><br><i>Proposed amendment to the compulsory specification motor vehicles of category M2/M3 (VC8023)</i>            | 60 days from notification |
|         | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/201</a> | Live lobsters<br><br><i>Proposed compulsory specification for live lobsters</i>   | 60 days from notification |
|         | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/202</a> | Pneumatic tyres<br><br><i>Proposed amendment to the Compulsory Specification for Pneumatic tyres for passenger cars and their trailers - R 215 of 03 March 2016 - VC 8056</i> | 60 days from notification |
|         | 29/03/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/203</a> | Pneumatic tyres<br><br><i>Proposed amendment to the Compulsory Specification for pneumatic tyres for commercial vehicles and their trailers</i>                               | 60 days from notification |
|         | 01/04/2016    | <a href="#">G/TBT/N/ZAF/204</a> | Preparations of meat, of fish or of crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates<br><br><i>Regulations Relating to the Fortification of Certain Foodstuffs</i>        | 60 days from notification |