



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 fourteen (14) 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

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LIST OF WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (09 - 15 APRIL 2016)

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
BRAZIL	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/327/Add.3	Medicine - Addendum <i>Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency (ANVISA), issued the Resolution RDC N° 73, approving technical requirements for post-registration changes and cancellation procedures of medicines registrations</i>	—
	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/586/Add.1	Carbon steel tubes for common uses in conducting fluids - Addendum <i>Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology (Inmetro), issued the Ordinance N° 158, approving the technical requirements for carbon steel tubes for common uses and carbon steel tubes for use at high temperatures</i>	—
	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/587/Add.1	Carbon steel tubes for common uses in conducting fluids - Addendum <i>Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology (Inmetro), issued the Ordinance N° 158, approving the technical requirements for carbon steel tubes for common uses and carbon steel tubes for use at high temperatures</i>	—

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	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/669	Instantaneous gas water heaters <i>Ordinance N° 159, 5 April 2016–Draft MERCOSUR Technical Regulation establishing the minimum testing requirements for the safety construction, energy rational use, efficiency as well as classification and labelling for instantaneous gas tankless water heaters for domestic use</i>	6 June 2016
	15/04/2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/670	Safety tempered glass of size and shape suitable for incorporation in motor vehicles <i>Ordinance N°. 175, 8 April 2016-Draft regulation establishing requirements for automotive safety glass</i>	10 June 2016
COSTA RICA	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/CRI/60/Add.1	Raw, ground, marinated, seasoned and tenderized meat and offal–Addendum <i>Costa Rican Technical Regulation (RTCR) 400:2006. Labelling of Raw, Ground, Marinated, Seasoned and Tenderized Meat and Offal–amendments, additions and derogations are made to the Executive Decree No. 33744-MEIC, "RTCR 400: 2006. Labeling of raw meat, ground, marinade, marinated, tenderized and guts. "</i>	30 days from the date of notification
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/CRI/156	Pneumatic tyres <i>Costa Rican Technical Regulation (RTCR) No. 486, Technical Regulation on pneumatic tyres</i>	30 days from the date of notification
ECUADOR	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/ECU/258/Add.1	Electrical appliances for heating liquids, cooking and similar purposes - Addendum <i>"Electrical appliances for heating liquids, cooking and similar purposes", has been issued pursuant to Resolution No. 16 059 of 29 February 2016 of the Under-Secretariat for the Productivity Quality System of the Ministry of Industry and Productivity, published in Official Journal No. 721 of 29 March 2016</i>	–

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ISRAEL	15/04/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/906	Refrigerating appliances, ice-cream appliances and ice makers <i>SI 900 Part 2.24 - Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety: Particular requirements for refrigerating appliances, ice-cream appliances and ice makers</i>	60 days from notification
	15/04/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/907	Pepper (<i>Piper nigrum</i> L.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>SI 959 part 1 - Pepper (Piper nigrum L.), whole or ground - Specification: White pepper</i> • <i>SI 959 part 2 - Pepper (Piper nigrum L.), whole or ground - Specification: Black pepper</i> 	60 days from notification
	15/04/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/909	Pepper (<i>Piper nigrum</i> L.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>SI 959 part 1 - Pepper (Piper nigrum L.), whole or ground - Specification: White pepper</i> • <i>SI 959 part 2 - Pepper (Piper nigrum L.), whole or ground - Specification: Black pepper</i> 	60 days from notification
	15/04/2016	G/TBT/N/ISR/910	Flat glass panels for buildings <i>SI 938 part 1 - Flat glass panels for use in buildings: General requirements and test methods</i>	60 days from notification
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/KOR/638	Motor vehicles <i>Revision of the Rules on the Performances and Standards of Korean Motor Vehicles and Parts</i>	60 days from notification
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/KOR/639	Telecommunications equipment and electrical appliances <i>Public Notification of Conformity Assessment for Broadcasting Communications Equipment</i>	60 days from notification
	15/04/2016	G/TBT/N/KOR/640	Appliances <i>Regulation on Energy Efficiency Management Equipment</i>	60 days from notification

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MEXICO	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/MEX/254/Add.3	Alcoholic beverages - Addendum <i>Agreement establishing the criteria for verifying compliance with Mexican Official Standard NOM-142-SSA1/SCFI-2014, "Alcoholic beverages. Health specifications. Health and commercial labelling", published in the Official Journal on 23 March 2015</i>	—
	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/MEX/303	Terminal equipment connected or interconnected via wireline access to a public telecommunications network <i>Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-196-SCFI-2015 Products. Terminal equipment connected or interconnected via wireline access to a public telecommunications network</i>	60 days after its notification to the WTO
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/RUS/49	Hydraulic cement <i>Order of Federal Agency for Technical Regulation (Rosstandart) No. 1-st of 11.01.2016 "Conformity assessment. Rules of cement certification"</i>	—
KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	14/04/2016	G/TBT/N/SAU/922	Detergents <i>Technical Regulation Detergents - 02-03-16-155</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	14/04/2016	G/TBT/N/SAU/923	Lubricating oils <i>Technical Regulation of Lubricating oils - 01-03-16-155</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	14/04/2016	G/TBT/N/SAU/924	Paints and varnish <i>Technical Regulation of paints and Varnish - 03-03-16-155</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
	14/04/2016	G/TBT/N/SAU/925	Electrical self-balancing plates (scooter) <i>Technical Regulations for electrical self-balancing plates (scooter) - 04-03-16-155</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
SLOVENIA	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/SVN/94	Carcasses of slaughtered animals <i>Rules on the quality of meat of slaughtered animals and game</i>	2 May 2016

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	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/SVN/95	<p>Labelling of the non-prepacked foods</p> <p><i>Rules on the labelling of the non-prepacked foods</i></p>	26 May 2016
	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/SVN/96	<p>Food of animal origin</p> <p><i>Rules determining the small quantities of food, conditions for their production and providing for certain derogations for establishments in the area of food of animal origin</i></p>	15 June 2016
	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/SVN/97	<p>Tobacco and related products</p> <p><i>Restriction of the Use of Tobacco and Related Products Act</i></p>	17 June 2016
SOUTH AFRICA	14/04/2016	G/TBT/2/Add.60/Rev.2	<p>Communication from the Government of South Africa - Revision</p> <p><i>Implementation and Administration of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade</i></p>	—
THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/TPKM/232	<p>Plywood</p> <p><i>Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act— The BSMI intends to refine the current management of plywood products so as to maintain consistency of the requirements</i></p>	60 days from notification
	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/TPKM/233	<p>Laminated veneer lumber</p> <p><i>Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act - The BSMI will soon adopt the revised standards CNS 11818 and CNS 14646 as inspection standards, in order to enhance consumer protection</i></p>	60 days from notification
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/TPKM/234	<p>Wooden floors</p> <p><i>Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act— The BSMI intends to adopt the revised standards CNS 2871, CNS 11341 and CNS 11342 as inspection standards, in order to enhance consumer protection</i></p>	60 days from notification
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/TPKM/235	<p>Glulam</p> <p><i>Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act- The BSMI intends to adopt the revised standards CNS 11029, CNS 11030, CNS 11031 and CNS 11032 as inspection standards, in order to enhance consumer protection</i></p>	60 days from notification

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UGANDA	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/UGA/534	Steel nails <i>Nails - Part 1: Steel nails - Specification</i>	60 days from notification
	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/UGA/535	Domestic biogas stoves <i>Domestic biogas stoves. Stoves, ranges, grates, cookers (including those with subsidiary boilers for central heating), barbecues, braziers, gas-rings, plate warmers and similar non-electric domestic appliances, and parts thereof, of iron or steel</i>	60 days from notification
	12/04/2016	G/TBT/N/UGA/536	Domestic biogas lamps <i>DUS 1643:2016, Domestic biogas lamps - Specification</i>	60 days from notification
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/UGA/537	Petroleum jelly <i>DUS 191:2016, Petroleum jelly - Specification</i>	60 days from notification
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	15/04/2016	G/TBT/N/ARE/306	<i>Electrical motor vehicles</i> <i>UAE Control Scheme for Electric Vehicles</i>	60 days from notification
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/569/Add.2	Occupant crash protection; motor-coach definitions - Addendum <i>Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Occupant Crash Protection—Denial of petitions for reconsideration</i>	—
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/886/Add.1/Corr.1	Commercial clothes washers - Corrigendum <i>Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Commercial Clothes Washers— Final rule; correcting amendments</i>	—
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/966/Add.1	Steam generating units - Addendum <i>National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants From Coal- and Oil-Fired Electric Utility Steam Generating Units and Standards of Performance for Fossil-Fuel-Fired Electric Utility, Industrial-Commercial-Institutional, and Small Industrial-Commercial- Institutional Steam Generating Units— Final rule; Technical Correction</i>	—

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	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1023/Add.1	Trichloroethylene - Addendum <i>Trichloroethylene— Final rule; Significant New Use Rule</i>	—
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1029/Add.1	Residential garage door operators - Addendum <i>Safety Standard for Automatic Residential Garage Door Operators— Final rule</i>	—
	11/04/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1099	Flight simulation training devices <i>Flight Simulation Training Device Qualification Standards for Extended Envelope and Adverse Weather Event Training Tasks</i>	—
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1100	Home insulation <i>Labeling and Advertising of Home Insulation</i>	6 June 2016
	13/04/2016	G/TBT/N/USA/1101	Airplanes <i>Revision of Airworthiness Standards for Normal, Utility, Acrobatic, and Commuter Category Airplanes</i>	13 May 2016