



# 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, Africa, Europe, 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)

We are glad to be of service to you!

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## LIST OF WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (30 APRIL - 06 MAY 2016)

Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
COSTA RICA	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CRI/157</a>	Refrigerators and freezers <i>RTCR 482: 2015 Electrical Products . Refrigerators and freezers. Appliances operated by hermetic compressor . Energy-efficiency specifications</i>	30 days from the date of notification
ECUADOR	03/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ECU/325</a>	Medical devices <i>Project sanitary regulations for sanitary registration and control of medical devices for human use and establishments where they are manufactured, stored , distributed and marketed</i>	July 28, 2016
	03/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ECU/326</a>	Processed natural medicinal use <i>Project sanitary replacement rules for obtaining sanitary registration and control of natural products processed for medicinal use , and the establishments in which they produce, store , they distribute and sell</i>	July 28, 2016
EUROPEAN UNION	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EU/375</a>	Bis (pentabromophenyl) ether (decaBDE) <i>Draft Commission Regulation amending Annex XVII to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) as regards bis (pentabromophenyl) ether</i>	60 days from notification

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JAPAN	03/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/JPN/527</a>	Wireless system for robots such as transmitting image  <i>Partial revision of regulation related to radio equipment</i>	60 days from notification
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/637/Add.1</a>	Medical devices - Addendum  <i>Amendment of "Regulation on standard specification of medical devices" - text of the draft measure is available</i>	—
	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/KOR/644</a>	Food products  <i>The Proposed Food Labelling Act</i>	60 days from notification
MEXICO	03/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MEX/300/Add.1</a>	Petroleum products - Addendum  <i>Decision of the Energy Regulatory Commission issuing, for the second consecutive time, Emergency Mexican Official Standard NOM-EM-005-CRE-2015 "Quality specifications for petroleum products"</i>	—
	03/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MEX/308</a>	Egg and its products  <i>Proposed Official Mexican Standard NOM- 159 - SSA1-2015 , products and services. Eggs and egg products. Sanitary provisions and specifications. Testing method</i>	60 days after notification
	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MEX/309</a>	Household electric washing machines  <i>Draft Mexican Official Standard NOM- 005- ENER -2016 , energy efficiency of household electric washing machines . Limits , test method and</i>	Within 60 calendar days after publication in the Official Gazette
	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/MEX/310</a>	AC motors  <i>Draft Mexican Official Standard NOM- 016- ENER -2016 , energy efficiency of AC motors , three-phase induction squirrel cage with a rated output of 0.746 kW to 373 kW . limits and marked test method</i>	Within 60 calendar days after publication in the Official Gazette
PERU	02/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/PER/85</a>	Pharmaceutical products  <i>Draft Regulation on the minimum information to be contained by the document required for the validation of analytical techniques specific to the manufacturer</i>	27 July 2016
SENEGAL	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/SEN/9</a>	Sterile packaging  <i>Draft Standard : Biodegradable Packaging - small and medium- capacity paper bags - Specifications and requirements</i>	60 days from the date of notification
THAILAND	02/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/THA/473/Add.1</a>	Food label - Addendum  <i>Draft The Notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No ...) B.E. ... Regarding the Display of Nutrition Symbol on Food Label" - Entered into force</i>	—

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	02/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/THA/476/Add.1/Corr.1</a>	Tungsten filament lamps - Corrigendum  <i>Please note that the notification G/TBT/N/THA/476/Add.1 was circulated in error. This notification is therefore null and void.</i>	—
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/878/Add.2</a>	Hazardous materials - Addendum  <i>Hazardous Materials: Incorporation of ASME Code Section XII and the National Board Inspection Code; Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNPRM)</i>	—
	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1046/Add.1</a>	Fluorescent lamp ballasts - Addendum  <i>Energy Conservation Program: Clarification of Test Procedures for Fluorescent Lamps Ballasts ; Final rule</i>	—
	02/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1117</a>	Pipeline safety  <i>Pipeline Safety: Safety of Gas Transmission and Gathering Pipelines;</i>	7 June 2016
	02/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1118</a>	Organic livestock and poultry  <i>National Organic Program; Organic Livestock and Poultry Practices</i>	13 June 2016
	04/05/2016	<a href="#">G/TBT/N/USA/1119</a>	Transportation systems for liquids and slurries  <i>Hazardous Materials: Incorporation by Reference Edition Update for the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and Transportation Systems for Liquids and Slurries: Pressure Piping Code</i>	31 May 2016