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# 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 eight (8) WTO Members from Asia, Oceania, 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 <a href="mailto:bps@dti.gov.ph">bps@dti.gov.ph</a>

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## List of WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS

(16 - 22 July 2016)

| Country | Date       | TBT Notification      | Product Coverage / Title  | Final Date for |
|---------|------------|-----------------------|---|----------------|
|         | Notified   | Symbol                |   | Comments       |
| BRAZIL  | 21/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/BRA/610/Add.2 | Vehicle platform lift - Addendum  National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology (Inmetro), issued Ordinance N° 294, approving adjustments to the Conformity Assessment Requirements That Must Be Met for Vehicle Lifting Platforms Manufactured to Be Installed on Vehicles with Road Characteristics | _              |
| CANADA  | 21/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/CAN/418/Add.1 | Multi-sector air pollutants - Addendum<br>Multi-Sector Air Pollutants Regulations;<br>adopted come into force on 17 June<br>2016  | _              |

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|                      | 21/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/CAN/442/Add.1 | Ozone-depleting substances (ODSS) and hydrofluorocarbons (HFCS) - Addendum  | -                         |
|                      |            |                       | Ozone-depleting Substances and Halo-<br>carbon Alternatives Regulations -<br>adopted 29 June 2016 and will come<br>into force on 29 December 2016   |                           |
|                      | 18/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/CAN/492       | Miscellaneous products  | _                         |
|                      |            |                       | Regulations Amending Certain Regula-<br>tions Made Under the Canada Consumer<br>Product Safety Act and Replacing Cer-<br>tain Regulations Made Under that Act   |                           |
| COSTA RICA           | 22/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/CRI/160       | Synthetic pesticides  | July 26, 2016             |
|                      |            |                       | RTCR 484: 2016 Regulations on the<br>Registration, Use and Control of Formu-<br>lated Synthetic Pesticides, Technical<br>Grade Active Ingredient, Adjuvants and<br>Related Substances of Agricultural Use   |                           |
| EUROPEAN UNION       | 18/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/EU/396        | Children's toys   | 60 days from notification |
|                      |            |                       | Draft Commission Directive amending, for the purpose of adopting specific limit values for chemicals used in toys, Appendix C to Annex II to Directive 2009/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the safety of toys, as regards bisphenol A | notnication               |
| JAPAN                | 21/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/JPN/529       | Road transport vehicles   | 60 days from              |
|                      |            |                       | The Partial Amendment of "Safety Regulations of Road Transport Vehicles Act,<br>Transport Ordinance"  | notification              |
|                      | 21/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/JPN/530       | Fertilizer  | 60 days from notification |
|                      |            |                       | Draft amendment of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Fertilizer Regulation Act, etc.   | Hothication               |
| REPUBLIC OF<br>KOREA | 20/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/KOR/661       | Foods   | 60 days from              |
|                      |            |                       | Proposed Draft Amendment of Special<br>Act on Safety Control of Children's Die-<br>tary   | nocincation               |
| UNITED STATES        | 20/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/USA/661/Add.6 | Non-compressor residential refrigeration products - Addendum  | -                         |
|                      |            |                       | Energy Conservation Program: Final<br>Coverage Determination; Test Proce-<br>dures for Miscellaneous Refrigeration<br>Products; Final rule  |                           |

| Notified 19/07/2016 | Symbol                       |   | Comments       |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|----------------|
| 19/07/2016          |                              |   |                |
|                     | G/TBT/N/USA/678/Add.1        | Eggs - Addendum   | -              |
|                     |                              | Electronic Export Application and Certi-<br>fication Charge; Flexibility in the Re-<br>quirements for Export Inspection Marks,<br>Devices, and Certificates; Egg Products<br>Export Certification; Final rule |                |
| 22/07/2016          | G/TBT/N/USA/678/Add.1/Corr.1 | Eggs - Corrigendum  | _              |
|                     |                              | Electronic Export Application and Certification Charge; Flexibility in the Requirements for Export Inspection Marks, Devices, and Certificates; Effective   |                |
| 22/07/2016          | G/TBT/N/USA/902/Add.2        | Veterinary biological products - Addendum   | -              |
|                     |                              | Viruses, Serums, Toxins, and Analogous<br>Products; Single Label Claim for Veteri-<br>nary Biological Products; Final rule;<br>technical amendment  |                |
| 19/07/2016          | G/TBT/N/USA/942/Add.1        | Refrigeration products - Addendum   | -              |
|                     |                              | Energy Conservation Program: Final<br>Coverage Determination; Test Proce-<br>dures for Miscellaneous Refrigeration<br>Products; Final rule  |                |
| 19/07/2016          | G/TBT/N/USA/992/Add.1        | Food facilities - Addendum  | -              |
|                     |                              | Amendments to Registration of Food<br>Facilities; Final rule  |                |
| 19/07/2016          | G/TBT/N/USA/1052/Add.1       | Central air conditioners - Addendum   | _              |
|                     |                              | Energy Conservation Program: Enforce-<br>ment of Regional Standards for Central<br>Air Conditioners; Final rule   |                |
| 19/07/2016          | G/TBT/N/USA/1052/Add.2       | Central air conditioners - Addendum   | -              |
|                     |                              | Energy Conservation Program: Enforce-<br>ment of Regional Standards for Central<br>Air Conditioners; Final rule   |                |
| 22/07/2016          | G/TBT/N/USA/1085/Add.1       | General service lamps - Addendum  | 19 August 2016 |
|                     |                              | Energy Conservation Program: Test<br>Procedures for Certain Categories of<br>General Service Lamps; Supplemental<br>notice of proposed rulemaking   |                |

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|         | 19/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/USA/1130/Add.1 | Chemical substances - Addendum   | _                 |
|         |            |                        | Significant New Use Rules on Certain<br>Chemical Substances; Partial withdraw-<br>al of direct final rule  |                   |
|         | 22/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/USA/1147/Add.1 | Motor fuel and petroleum - Addendum  | 22 August 2016    |
|         |            |                        | Motor Fuel and Petroleum Standards<br>Act; Amendment   |                   |
|         | 19/07/2016 | G/TBT/N/USA/1166       | Catfish and catfish products   | 12 September 2016 |
|         |            |                        | U.S. Standards for Grades of Catfish and Catfish Products  |                   |
| VANUATU | 22/07/2016 | G/TBT/2/Add.117        | Implementation and administration of<br>the Agreement on Technical Barriers to<br>Trade  | -                 |
|         |            |                        | Vanuatu has accepted the Agreement establishing the WTO and the associated legal instruments contained in Annexes 1 (Technical Regulations), Annex 2 (Standards) and Annex 3 (Conformity Assessment Procedures) (including the TBT Agreement). |                   |