

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 notified 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.

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A total of 67 notifications on Agriculture, Domestic and Commercial Equipment, Entertainment and Sports, Electrical Engineering, Food Technology, Health Care Technology etc., from Brazil, Ecuador, the European Union, the United States, Viet Nam and other countries 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 (07 - 13 September 2019)

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AGRICULTURE					
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	BRAZIL	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/BRA/802/Add.2	Pesticides, related products and wooden preservatives - Addendum <i>The annex 1 of the Resolution - RDC number 296, 29 July 2019, previously notified through G/TBT/N/BRA/802/Add.1, was republished.</i>	—
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	CHILE	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/CHL/498	Agricultural pesticides <i>The draft resolution establishes procedures for import and national formulation of pesticides for agricultural use and repeal Resolution exempt from service number 1038 of 2003.</i>	—
FORESTRY EQUIPMENT	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/137/Add.3	Pneumatic tools - Addendum	—

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				<i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 120 "Pneumatic tools", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/137/Add.1 on 27 August 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	
AGRICULTURAL MACHINES, IMPLEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/208/Add.3	Food processing machinery - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 131 "Safety and hygiene of food processing machinery", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/208/Add.1 of 22 September 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/241/Add.2	Pet food - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation No. 187 "Pet food", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/241/Add.1 on 11 August 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/242/Add.2	Labelling of products used in animal feeding - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 188 "Labelling of products used in animal feeding", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/242/Add.1 of 11 August 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY					
SURFACE ACTIVE AGENTS	ECUADOR	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/167/Add.3	Waxes for floors and polishes - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 164 "Waxes for floors and polishes", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/167/Add.1 of 1 October 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
CHEMICALS FOR INDUSTRIAL AND DOMESTIC DISINFECTION PURPOSES	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/288/Add.2	Pesticide labeling for domestic use - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 258 "Labelling of pesticides for household use", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/288/Add.1 on 23 January 2017, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	EUROPEAN UNION	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/EU/680	Chemicals <i>This draft Regulation relates to an update of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006</i>	60 days from notification

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				(REACH) on requirements for safety data sheets (SDS).	
CLOTHING INDUSTRY					
CLOTHES	KENYA	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/900	Fleece jacket <i>This Kenya Standard specifies the requirements and test methods for fleece jacket.</i>	2 November 2019
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING					
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/276/Add.2	Setts - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 248 "Setts", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/276/Add.1 of 26 February 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT. ENTERTAINMENT. SPORTS					
OTHER SHOP FITTINGS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/133/Add.3	Bakery ovens - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 116 "Bakery ovens", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/133/Add.1 of 27 August 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
MISCELLANEOUS DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT	ECUADOR	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/166/Add.3	Candles, tapers and the like - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 163 "Candles, tapers and the like", notified in G/TBT/N/ECU/166/Add.1 of 24 September 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
EQUIPMENT FOR CHILDREN	UNITED STATES	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1043/Add.2	Children's folding chairs - Addendum <i>In September 2017, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) published a consumer product safety standard for infant bouncer seats under section 104 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) . The standard incorporated by reference the ASTM voluntary standard that was in effect for infant bouncer seats at the time, with modified requirements for warning labels. ASTM has since revised the voluntary standard for infant bouncer seats.</i>	—
EQUIPMENT FOR ENTERTAINMENT	UNITED STATES	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1488/Add.1	Pool and spa - Addendum <i>As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) announces a submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), requesting an</i>	30 September 2019

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				<i>extension of approval for a collection regarding a form used to verify whether pools and spas are in compliance with the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act.</i>	
KITCHEN EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1516/Add.1	<p>Cooking products - Addendum</p> <p><i>On 9 August 2019, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") published in the Federal Register a notice of proposed rulemaking ("NOPR") to withdraw the test procedure for conventional cooking tops.</i></p>	8 October 2019
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
ELECTRICAL WIRES AND CABLES	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/287/Add.1	<p>Electrical extensions - Addendum</p> <p><i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation PRTE INEN No. 257 "Electrical extension cords", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/287 of 27 October 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void. The draft notification is therefore withdrawn.</i></p>	—
LAMPS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/310/Add.1	<p>Recessed luminaires - Addendum</p> <p><i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that draft Ecuadorian Technical Regulation PRTE INEN No. 143 "Recessed luminaires", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/310 on 23 March 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void. The draft notification is therefore withdrawn.</i></p>	—
OTHER STANDARDS RELATED TO LAMPS	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	13/09/2019	G/TBT/N/TPKM/388	<p>Self-ballasted LED lamps</p> <p><i>The BSMI intends to revise the Description of Goods of the commodities and adopt the latest version of the inspection standards, CNS 15630 and CNS 14115, which were promulgated on 12 July 2019 and 14 September 2016 respectively.</i></p>	60 days from notification
LAMPS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/874/Add.13	<p>General service lamps - Addendum</p> <p><i>On 11 February 2019, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR) proposing to withdraw the revised definitions of general service lamp (GSL), general service incandescent lamp (GSIL) and other supplemental definitions, that were to go into effect on 1 January 2020. DOE responds to comments received on the NOPR in this final rule and maintains the existing regulatory definitions of GSL and GSIL, which are the same as the statutory definitions of those terms.</i></p>	—

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LAMPS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1440/Add.2	General service lamps - Addendum <i>On 11 February 2019, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR) proposing to withdraw the revised definitions of general service lamp (GSL), general service incandescent lamp (GSIL) and other supplemental definitions, that were to go into effect on 1 January 2020. DOE responds to comments received on the NOPR in this final rule and maintains the existing regulatory definitions of GSL and GSIL, which are the same as the statutory definitions of those terms.</i>	—
INCANDESCENT LAMPS	UNITED STATES	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1524	General service incandescent lamps (GSILs) <i>Notice of proposed determination and request for comment: The Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975, as amended (EPCA), directs DOE to initiate a rulemaking for general service lamps (GSLs) that, among other requirements, determines whether standards in effect for general service incandescent lamps (GSILs, a subset of GSLs) should be amended. In this notice of proposed determination (NOPD), DOE has initially determined that energy conservation standards for GSILs do not need to be amended and asks for comment on this proposed determination and associated analyses and results.</i>	4 November 2019
ENVIRONMENT. HEALTH PROTECTION. SAFETY					
DRINKING WATER	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/18/Add.4	Drinking water - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 023 "Drinking water", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/18/Add.1 on 29 August 2008, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/346/Add.1	Portable fire extinguishers and fire-fighting agents - Addendum <i>By means of this Addendum No. 1, the Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that the third revision (3R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation (RTE INEN) No. 006 "Portable fire extinguishers and fire-fighting agents", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/346 of 3 April 2019, has been issued pursuant to Resolution No. 19 048 of 26 July 2019 by the Under-Secretariat for Quality of the Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries, published in Official Journal No. 26 of 27 August 2019.</i>	—

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FLUID SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE					
METAL FITTINGS	ECUADOR	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/322/Add.2	Flanges and flanged fittings for drinking water pipes - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 140 "Flanges and flanged fittings for drinking water pipes", notified in G/TBT/N/ECU/322/Add.1 of 6 February 2017, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
FOOD TECHNOLOGY					
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/88/Add.3	Foods for special dietary uses - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that the first revision (1R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 075 "Foods for special dietary uses", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/88/Add.2 of 2 December 2013, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/128/Add.3	Ethyl alcohol - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 107 "Ethyl alcohol", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/128/Add.1 of 25 August 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
FRUITS AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	ECUADOR	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/261/Add.2	Pistachios - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 230 "Unshelled pistachio nuts", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/261/Add.1 of 24 February 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	KENYA	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/KEN/899	Food fortification premix fortificants <i>This Draft Kenya Standard specifies the requirements, method of test and sampling of food fortification premix and fortificants. It applies to premixes and fortificants intended for use in wheat flour, maize flour, composite flours, sugar, fat spreads and edible oils and fats.</i>	2 November 2019
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	THAILAND	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/THA/550/Add.1	Genetically modified foods - Addendum <i>In response to international requests regarding the complexity of the issues covered in the Draft Ministry of Public Health Notification, B.E..., entitled "Genetically Modified Foods (GMFs)", notification G/TBT/N/THA/550 dated</i>	17 September 2019

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				5 July 2019, an extension period is provided until 17 September 2019.	
SPICES AND CONDIMENTS	UGANDA	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/UGA/1112	Food seasoning mixtures <i>This Draft Uganda standard specifies the requirements and sampling and test methods for food seasoning mixtures. This standard does not cover dehydrated soups, broths, curry powders, masalas and/or spices and herb mixtures.</i>	60 days from notification
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	UGANDA	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/UGA/1113	Edible insects <i>This Draft Uganda standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for edible insects.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	SOUTH AFRICA	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ZAF/48/Rev.3	Regulations relating to the labelling of alcoholic beverages - Revision <i>The proposed regulations amend current composition, production and labelling regulations of the Liquor Products Act for wine, liqueur and spirits. Amendments to the grape varieties, estate wine names and single vineyard wines relating to wine certified for origin under the Wine of Origin Scheme. Proposed amendments to the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act providing for alcohol free, de-alcoholized and low alcohol wine.</i>	60 days from notification
FOOD TECHNOLOGY	SOUTH AFRICA	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ZAF/88/Rev.1/Add.2	Maize, maize seed - Addendum <i>The proposed regulations cover the quality standards, containers, packing, and marking requirements, sampling procedures, methods of inspection and offences and penalties.</i>	—
GLASS AND CERAMICS INDUSTRIES					
REFRACTORIES	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/271/Add.2	Refractory bricks - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 081 "Refractory bricks", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/271/Add.1 on 6 May 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
RADIOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/BRA/909	Radiopharmaceuticals <i>This draft resolution is a complement for the revision of the Resolution - RDC 64,18 December 2009, which establishes the market</i>	4 November 2019

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				<i>authorization for radiopharmaceuticals, and proposes the documenting necessary for the protocol of market authorization for radiopharmaceuticals.</i>	
RADIOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/BRA/910	Radiopharmaceuticals <i>This draft normative instruction is a complement for the revision of the Resolution - RDC number 64, December 18th, 2009, and establishes the list of radiopharmaceuticals that can present the literature for security and efficacy demonstration.</i>	4 November 2019
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT IN GENERAL	BRAZIL	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/BRA/911	Products of advanced therapies <i>This Draft Resolution defines the market authorization for products of advanced therapies of human origin and gives other measures.</i>	18 October 2019
HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/244/Add.3	Medical electrical equipment - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 190 "Medical electrical equipment. Safety of operating tables", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/244/Add.1 of 7 October 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/317/Add.1	Surgical gloves and examination/procedure gloves for medical use - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that draft Ecuadorian Technical Regulation PRTE INEN No. 271 "Surgical gloves and examination/procedure gloves for medical use", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/317 on 7 May 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void. The draft notification is therefore withdrawn.</i>	—
AIDS FOR DISABLED OR HANDICAPPED PERSONS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/318/Add.1	Assistive products for walking manipulated by one arm - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that draft Ecuadorian Technical Regulation PRTE INEN No. 287 "Assistive products for walking manipulated by one arm", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/318 on 7 May 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void. The draft notification is therefore withdrawn.</i>	—
BIRTH CONTROL. MECHANICAL CONTRACEPTIVES	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/366/Add.1	Condoms - Addendum <i>By means of this Addendum No. 1, the Republic</i>	—

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				<i>of Ecuador hereby advises that the second revision (2R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN 049 "Natural rubber latex male condoms", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/366 on 16 April 2019, has been issued pursuant to Resolution No. 19 049 of 26 July 2019 by the Under-Secretariat for Quality of the Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries, published in Official Journal No. 26 of 27 August 2019.</i>	
PHARMACEUTICS	JAPAN	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/JPN/632	Shitei Yakubutsu <i>Proposed "Shitei Yakubutsu" (designated 3 substances), and their "proper uses" designated under the Act.</i>	—
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/KOR/856	Medical devices <i>The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS) of the Republic of Korea is amending the "Medical Devices Act".</i>	60 days from notification
PHARMACEUTICS	PERU	13/09/2019	G/TBT/N/PER/115	Pharmaceutical products <i>The Good Manufacturing Practices Inspection Guide of Pharmaceutical Products allows verifying compliance with the Good Practices of Manufacture of Pharmaceutical Products.</i>	—
IMAGE TECHNOLOGY					
GRAPHIC TECHNOLOGY	ECUADOR	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/232/Add.3	Printing and digitization equipment - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador communicates in relation to the Ecuadorian Technical Regulations RTE INEN 202 "Printing and scanning equipment", notified by document identified with the signature G / TBT / N / ECU / 232 / Add.1 of November 19, 2014, has been suspended and declared without applicability; therefore it is unsubstantiated.</i>	—
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY					
MICROPROCESSOR SYSTEMS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/320/Add.1	Computers and input and output peripherals - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that draft Ecuadorian Technical Regulation PRTE INEN No. 128 "Computers and input and output peripherals", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/320 on 8 October 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void. The draft notification is therefore withdrawn.</i>	—
MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING					
MACHINE TOOLS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/120/Add.4	Injection-moulding machines - Addendum	—

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				<i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that the first revision (1R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 099 "Injection-moulding machines", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/120/Add.3 on 1 June 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	
MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT					
EARTH-MOVING MACHINERY	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/121/Add.3	Aggregate grading machines - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 102 "Aggregate grading machines", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/121/Add.1 on 19 November 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
MECHANICAL SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE					
BEARINGS	ECUADOR	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/142/Add.3	Ball and roller bearings - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 130 "Ball and roller bearings", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/142/Add.1 of 26 January 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
FASTENERS	ECUADOR	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/164/Add.3	Cotters and cotter-pins - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador communicates in relation to the Ecuadorian Technical Regulations "RTE INEN 175 Pins, pins and cotters ", notified by document identified with the signature G / TBT / N / ECU / 164 / Add.1 of September 26, 2014, has been suspended and declared without applicability; therefore it is unsubstantiated.</i>	—
ROLLING BEARINGS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/174/Add.3	Tapered roller bearings - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 177 "Tapered roller bearings", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/174/Add.1 on 21 January 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
BOLTS, SCREWS, STUDS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/200/Add.3	Expandable anchor bolts for concrete - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 178 "Expandable anchor bolts for concrete", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/200/Add.1 of 26 September 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—

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METALLURGY					
IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/350/Add.1	<p>Steel products for concrete reinforcement - Addendum</p> <p><i>By means of this Addendum No. 1, the Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that the fifth revision (5R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 016 "Steel products for concrete reinforcement", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/350 on 8 April 2019, has been issued pursuant to Resolution No. 19 051 of 1 August 2019 by the Under-Secretariat for Quality of the Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries, published in Official Journal No. 27 of 28 August 2019.</i></p>	
STEEL PROFILES	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/354/Add.1	<p>Open angles, shapes and sections of cold-formed steel, and angles, shapes and sections of hot-rolled steel - Addendum</p> <p><i>By means of this Addendum No. 1, the Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that the third revision (3R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation (RTE INEN) No. 018 "Open angles, shapes and sections of cold-formed steel, and angles, shapes and sections of hot-rolled steel", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/354 of 8 April 2019, has been issued pursuant to Resolution No. 19 050 of 1 August 2019, by the Under-Secretariat for Quality of the Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries, published in Official Journal No. 27 of 28 August 2019.</i></p>	—
IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS	VIET NAM	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/VNM/151	<p>Hot-rolled steel sections</p> <p><i>This draft Technical Regulation prescribes the technical requirements and management requirements for hot-rolled steel sections (hereinafter referred to as sections) for steel manufactured, imported and circulated on the market.</i></p>	60 days from notification
MINING AND MINERALS					
NON-METALLIFEROUS MINERALS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/61/Add.2	<p>Chrysotile asbestos - Addendum</p> <p><i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 052 "Occupational safety and hygiene in relation to the use of chrysotile asbestos in the work environment", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/61/Add.1 on 30 June 2011, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i></p>	—
PACKAGING AND DISTRIBUTION OF GOODS					

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CANS. TINS. TUBES	BURUNDI	13/09/2019	G/TBT/N/BDI/58	Glass bottles used for packaging of carbonated and non-carbonated drinks <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test for Glass bottles used for packaging of carbonated and non-carbonated drinks.</i>	60 days from notification
PACKAGING MATERIALS AND ACCESSORIES	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/KOR/857	Packaging as paper packs, glass bottles, cans, plastics <i>The Republic of Korea has amended the Act on the Promotion of Saving and Recycling of Resources as of 24 December 2018, which will come into force on 25 December 2019. The amended Act requires that materials and structures of packaging be graded and evaluated according to their recyclability.</i>	60 days from notification
PAINT AND COLOUR INDUSTRIES					
INKS. PRINTING INKS	ECUADOR	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/182/Add.4	Colour and transparency of printing ink sets - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 146 "Colour and transparency of printing ink sets", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/182/Add.1 of 23 September 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES					
PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES	VIET NAM	13/09/2019	G/TBT/N/VNM/152	Gases <i>This draft Circular regulates measurement and quality in trading of gases, which include Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), Liquefied natural gas (LNG) and Compressed natural gas (CNG) and registration of gas preparation institutions.</i>	60 days from notification
RUBBER AND PLASTIC INDUSTRIES					
RUBBER AND PLASTICS PRODUCTS	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/209/Add.2	Labelling of mobile phone casings - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 209 "Labelling of mobile phone casings and similar products", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/209/Add.1 on 20 August 2014, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
SERVICES. COMPANY ORGANIZATION. MANAGEMENT AND QUALITY. ADMINISTRATION. TRANSPORT. SOCIOLOGY					
QUALITY	VIET NAM	13/09/2019	G/TBT/N/VNM/153	Products and goods in general <i>This draft Circular guides the technical</i>	60 days from notification

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
				<i>regulation conformity announcement and state inspection of quality of imported goods likely to cause unsafe (hereinafter referred to as group-2 goods for short) and quality management of group-2 products and goods under responsibility of the Ministry of Science and Technology.</i>	
SHIPBUILDING AND MARINE STRUCTURES					
MARINE ENGINES AND PROPULSION SYSTEMS	UNITED STATES	11/9/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1523	Marine diesel engine emissions <i>The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to amend the national marine diesel engine program to provide relief provisions to address concerns associated with finding and installing certified Tier 4 marine diesel engines in certain high-speed commercial vessels.</i>	7 October 2019
TELECOMMUNICATIONS. AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
AUDIO, VIDEO AND AUDIOVISUAL ENGINEERING	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/131/Add.4	Loudspeakers - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that the first revision (1R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 114 "Loudspeakers", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/131/Add.3 on 10 July 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
AUDIO, VIDEO AND AUDIOVISUAL ENGINEERING	ECUADOR	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/ECU/135/Add.4	Audio-frequency electric amplifiers - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby advises that the first revision (1R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN No. 118 "Audio-frequency electric amplifiers", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/135/Add.3 on 2 June 2015, has been repealed and is therefore null and void.</i>	—
WOOD TECHNOLOGY					
PLYWOOD	UNITED STATES	9/9/2019	G/TBT/N/USA/1522	Structural plywood <i>The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is soliciting public comment on a proposed revision to Voluntary Product Standard (PS) 1-09, Structural Plywood. The standard, prepared by the Committee for PS 1, establishes requirements (for those who choose to adhere to the standard) for the principal types and grades of structural plywood and provides a basis for common understanding among producers, distributors, and users of the product. This standard covers the wood species, veneer grading, adhesive bonds, panel construction and workmanship, dimensions and tolerances, marking, moisture content and packaging of structural plywood intended for construction and industrial uses.</i>	7 October 2019