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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 37 notifications on Agriculture, Environment. Health protection. Safety, Food technology, Metrology and measurement. Physical phenomena, Services. Company organization. Management and quality. Administration. Transport. Sociology, etc., from Brazil, China, European Union, Israel, United States, 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

We are glad to be of service to you!

List of WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (09-15 May 2020)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	**EUROPEAN UNION**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/EU/721	Residues - Benalaxyl *This draft Commission Implementing Regulation provides that the approval of the active substance benalaxyl is not renewed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009.*	60 days from notification
FARMING AND FORESTRY IN GENERAL	**LITHUANIA**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/LTU/37	Fibre hemp products *Draft Law sets requirements for the cultivation, processing of fibre hemp products and the placing on the market of fibre hemp products and their articles.*	60 days from notification

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AGRICULTURE	**EL SALVADOR**	12/05/2020	G/TBT/N/SLV/206	Live livestock or aquaculture animals *This regulation establishes the provisions that regulate the Registration and Identification System for Livestock and Aquaculture Traceability in the territory national.*	60 days from notification
CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY					
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY IN GENERAL	**EUROPEAN UNION**	12/05/2020	G/TBT/N/EU/719	Hazardous mixtures *According to Article 45(1) of the CLP Regulation, EU Member States' appointed bodies shall be responsible for receiving information from importers and downstream users on the hazardous chemical mixtures they place on the market.*	60 days from notification
SURFACE ACTIVE AGENTS	**PAKISTAN**	12/05/2020	G/TBT/N/PAK/119	Hand sanitizer and disinfectants *This Pakistan Standard was adopted by the Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority on 05 May 2020 after the draft finalized by the Fine Chemical Technical Committee had been approved by the National Standard Committee for Chemical.*	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING					
BINDERS. SEALING MATERIALS	**ISRAEL**	12/05/2020	G/TBT/N/ISR/1137	EPDM roofing sheets Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 1430 part 2, dealing with EPDM roofing sheets.	60 days from notification
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT. ENTERTAINMENT. SPORTS					
MISCELLANEOUS DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT	**CHINA**	11/05/2020	G/TBT/N/CHN/1425	Student's articles *This standard specifies the terms and definitions, safety requirements, test methods and marks of student's articles.*	60 days from notification
FURNITURE	**ISRAEL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/ISR/1139	Children's furniture : mattresses for cots, cribs and perambulators and bumpers for children's cots *Revision of the partially Mandatory Standard SI 1548, dealing with mattresses for cots and cribs to be replaced with SI 1548 parts 1 and 2.*	60 days from notification

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ELECTRICAL ENGINERING					
LUMINAIRES	**ISRAEL**	12/05/2020	G/TBT/N/ISR/1138	Portable luminaires *Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 20 part 2.4, dealing with portable luminaires.*	60 days from notification
LAMP CAPS AND HOLDERS	**ISRAEL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/ISR/1140	Lampholders for tubular fluorescent lamps and starterholders *Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 60400, dealing with lampholders for tubular fluorescent lamps and starterholders.*	60 days from notification
ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING					
ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING IN GENERAL	**CHINA**	11/05/2020	G/TBT/N/CHN/1421	Electric pressure cookers *This standard specifies the energy efficiency grade, energy efficiency limit value and test method of electric pressure cooker.*	60 days from notification
ENVIRONMENT. HEALTH PROTECTION. SAFETY					
PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	**BRAZIL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1003	Individual protection equipment *This Ordinance establishes the procedures and technical requirements for the evaluation of Personal Protective Equipment and issuing, renewing or changing the Certificate of Approval - CA.*	–
PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	**CHINA**	11/05/2020	G/TBT/N/CHN/1422	Flame retardant protective clothing *This part specifies the technical requirements, test methods, inspection rules, identification, packaging and storage of flame retardant protective clothing.*	60 days from notification
PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	**CHINA**	11/05/2020	G/TBT/N/CHN/1423	Protective clothing, high-visibility warning clothing for professional use *This standard specifies the level, design requirements, performance requirements, test methods and marks of high-visibility warning clothing for professional use.*	60 days from notification
LEG AND FOOT PROTECTION	**CHINA**	11/05/2020	G/TBT/N/CHN/1424	Safety footwear *This standard specifies the terms and definitions, classification, style and marking, basic requirements, protective performance, additional requirements, identification and information provided by the manufacturer of safety footwear.*	60 days from notification

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FOOD TECHNOLOGY					
PREPACKAGED AND PREPARED FOODS	**CHINA**	11/05/2020	G/TBT/N/CHN/1420	Labelling of prepackaged food *This standard specifies the requirements for the labelling of prepackaged food.*	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	**ISRAEL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/ISR/1027/Rev.1	Beer - Revision *Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 407, dealing with beer and similar malt beverages.*	60 days from notification
ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS	**ISRAEL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/ISR/1141	Fat spreads and other water in oil emulsion spreads *Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 370, dealing with fat spreads and other water in oil emulsion spreads.*	60 days from notification
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	**PAKISTAN**	13/05/2020	G/TBT/N/PAK/120	All edible products *In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, 1950 (XXXIX of 1950), the Federal Government has determined that further amendments shall be made in the Import Policy Order, 2016.*	–
EDIBLE OILS AND FATS. OILSEEDS	**THAILAND**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/THA/575	Edible fats and oils *The Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) considered that existing Notifications of Ministry of Public Health regarding edible fats and oils should be revised to comply with relevant Codex standards for edible fats and oil as well as technologies of their production.*	60 days from notification
EDIBLE OILS AND FATS. OILSEEDS	**THAILAND**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/THA/576	Fish oils *The Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) considered that requirements of safety and quality for fish oils have been issued to comply with Codex standard regarding fish oil leading to protect consumer health as well as to facilitate trade.*	60 days from notification
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	**UNITED STATES**	11/05/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/1619/Corr.1	Organics processes in the food industry - Corrigendum *In notification G/TBT/N/USA/1619 National Organic Program: USDA Organic Regulations:* *Item 9 should read:* *Proposed date of adoption: 22 June 2020* *Proposed date of entry into force: 22 June 2020*	–

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METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT. PHYSICAL PHENOMENA					
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT IN GENERAL	**BRAZIL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1004	Measuring instruments and apparatus *Draft Mercosur Technical Regulation establishing General Instructions for Legal Metrological Control Activities.*	–
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT IN GENERAL	**BRAZIL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1005	Measuring instruments and apparatus *Draft Mercosur Technical Regulation establishing General Criteria for Legal Metrology.*	–
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT IN GENERAL	**BRAZIL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1006	Pre-measured products *Draft Mercosur Technical Regulation establishing the control of pre-measured products marketed in units of mass and volume of equal nominal content.*	–
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT IN GENERAL	**BRAZIL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1008	Instruments for measuring the flow rate of natural gas *Inmetro Ordinance that establishes the requirements for legal metrological control of instruments for measuring the flow rate of natural gas with the objective of fiscal measurement, custody transfer, distribution and marketing.*	–
MINING AND MINERALS					
MINING AND QUARRYING	**TANZANIA**	11/05/2020	G/TBT/N/TZA/463	Ventilation in underground mines : air quality requirements *The Tanzania Standard gives requirements including specifications of acceptable quality of air in underground mines.*	60 days from notification
PAINT AND COLOUR INDUSTRIES					
PAINTS AND VARNISHES	**EUROPEAN UNION**	12/05/2020	G/TBT/N/EU/720	Hazardous mixtures : bespoke paints *According to Article 45(1) of the CLP Regulation, EU Member States' appointed bodies shall be responsible for receiving information from importers and downstream users on the hazardous chemical mixtures they place on the market.*	60 days from notification

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ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
ELECTRIC ROAD VEHICLES	**KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/BHR/576	Electrical motor vehicles *This regulation is concerned with the general requirements for electrical motor vehicles; these requirements are applicable to electrical vehicles, with maximum GVW less than 3500 Kg and a maximum design speed exceeding 25 km/ h.*	60 days from notification
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	**THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU**	15/05/2020	G/TBT/N/TPKM/401/Add.1	Electric motorcycle charging s[...]wap system equipment - Addendum *The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu would like to notify that "Legal Inspection of electric motorcycle charging system equipment and battery swap system equipment" was promulgated on 14 May 2020 and will come into effect on 1 May 2021.*	–
SERVICES. COMPANY ORGANIZATION. MANAGEMENT AND QUALITY. ADMINISTRATION. TRANSPORT. SOCIOLOGY					
QUALITY IN GENERAL	**BRAZIL**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/BRA/1007	Regulatory measures of low impact *Proposal of revocation of regulatory measures of low impact, tacitly withdrawn, which effects have been extinguished over the time and the need or purpose for the society could not be identified.*	–
TRANSPORT	**UNITED STATES**	12/05/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/1430/Add.1	Hazardous materials - Addendum *PHMSA is issuing this final rule to amend the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) to maintain alignment with international regulations and standards.*	–
QUALITY	**UNITED STATES**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/1620	Heavy-duty engines and vehicles *The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing changes to the test procedures for heavy-duty engines and vehicles to improve accuracy and reduce testing burden.*	26 June 2020
QUALITY	**UNITED STATES**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/1621	Laboratory tailpipe emission testing procedures for automobiles, light trucks, and[...]vy-duty pickup trucks and vans *The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to make adjustments to certain laboratory tailpipe emission testing procedures for automobiles, light trucks, and heavy-duty pickup trucks and vans*	11 August 2020
QUALITY	**UNITED STATES**	15/05/2020	G/TBT/N/USA/1622	Fuels *This action proposes to update the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) existing gasoline, diesel, and other fuels programs to improve overall compliance assurance and maintain environmental performance.*	29 June 2020

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS. AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN GENERAL	**SWITZERLAND**	15/05/2020	G/TBT/N/CHE/247	DAB/DAB+ in-house low power repeaters *The Ordinance of the Swiss Federal Office of Communications on telecommunications installations (OOIT) specifies the basic technical requirements with regard to telecommunications installations set out by the Swiss Federal Council.*	20 August 2020
TELECOMMUNICATION TERMINAL EQUIPMENT	**REPUBLIC OF KOREA**	14/05/2020	G/TBT/N/KOR/892	Telecommunication terminal equipment *This regulation is to specify technical specifications of Telecommunication Terminal Equipment.*	60 days from notification