



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 51 notifications on Chemical Technology, Environment, Health Protection, Safety, Food Technology, Health Care Technology, Metrology and Measurement, etc., from Brazil, European Union, Philippines, United Arab Emirates, 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 (16 - 22 October 2021)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS IN GENERAL	BURUNDI	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BDI/161	Carbaryl dusting powders This draft standard prescribes the requirements, sampling and test methods for carbaryl dusting powders.	60 days from notification
PLANT GROWING	UKRAINE	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/UKR/204	Hop and hop products The draft Law aims to promote effective development of the hop industry, bring national hop production to modern quality level, and simplify business management by improving existing legal norms regulating relations in the sphere of hop growing.	60 days from notification

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CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY					
ACIDS	BURUNDI	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BDI/158	Sulfuric acid This draft standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for sulfuric acid. This standard covers four grades of sulfuric acid namely, technical, battery, pure and analytical reagents.	60 days from notification
CHEMICAL REAGENTS	BURUNDI	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BDI/159	Distilled water This draft standard prescribes the requirements, sampling and test methods for distilled water.	60 days from notification
COSMETICS. TOILETRIES	OMAN	20/10/2021	G/TBT/N/OMN/452	Cosmetics and personal care products The Gulf Standard No. 1943 regarding safety requirements in cosmetics and personal care products is a binding Omani standard	15 days from notification
COSMETICS. TOILETRIES	UGANDA	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/UGA/1464	Plastic latrine pan This draft standard gives requirements, methods of test and sampling of plastic latrine pans that use mechanical and water seals to close off sub-structure of the pit latrines from the open.	60 days from notification
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	BURUNDI	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BDI/162	Disinfectant and antiseptics This working draft standard defines the terms used in the disinfectant and antiseptic industry.	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING					
BUILDING ACCESSORIES	ECUADOR	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/ECU/423/Add.1	Mechanical and electromechanical door locks - Addendum First review of the Ecuadorian Technical Regulation RTE INEN 166 (1R) "Mechanical and Electromechanical locks for doors"	–
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT. ENTERTAINMENT. SPORTS					
KITCHEN EQUIPMENT	CHILE	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/CHL/577	Domestic kitchens that use wood This standard specifies the requirements relating to the design, the manufacturing, assembly, safety, performance, power, product gases combustion, instructions and marking of domestic stoves that use wood.	60 days from notification
MISCELLANEOUS DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/375/Add.10	Pencil sharpeners, backpacks and briefcases, drawing sets - Addendum Inmetro, issued Ordinance no. 423, of 08 October 2021, which approves Conformity Assessment Requirements for School Articles.	–
ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING					
SOLAR ENERGY ENGINEERING	BRAZIL	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/461/Add.4	Systems and equipment for water heating using solar energy - Addendum Inmetro, issued Inmetro Ordinance 420, 4 October 2021, that approves the Regulation for solar water heating equipment, which includes the Technical Quality Regulation, the Conformity Assessment Requirements and the Specifications for the Conformity Identification Seal, respectively, in Annexes I, II and III of this Ordinance.	–

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ENVIRONMENT. HEALTH PROTECTION. SAFETY					
ACTIVE INGREDIENTS FOR PESTICIDES, HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS AND WOOD PRESERVATIVES, AND THEIR REGULATORY PROCESS	BRAZIL	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1272	Active ingredients for pesticides, household cleaning products and wood preservatives, and their regulatory process This resolution disposes about the monographs of the active ingredients for pesticides, household cleaning products and wood preservatives, and their regulatory process.	-
ACTIVE INGREDIENTS FOR PESTICIDES, HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS AND WOOD PRESERVERS	BRAZIL	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1273	Active ingredients for pesticides, household cleaning products and wood preservers This normative instruction disposes about the Monograph List of Active Ingredients for Pesticides, Household Cleaning Products and Wood Preservers.	-
AIR QUALITY	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/ARE/516	Air quality measurements This Regulation applies to laboratories and environmental monitoring networks to measure air pollutants specified in Cabinet Resolution No. (12) of 2006 regarding the system for protecting air from pollution.	60 days from notification
AIR QUALITY	UNITED STATES	19/10/2021	G/TBT/N/USA/1206/Add.3	Small off-road engines - Addendum This is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.	-
AIR QUALITY	UNITED STATES	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/USA/1600/Rev.1/Add.1	Portable air conditioners - Addendum The following communication, dated 21 October 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.	-
AIR QUALITY	UNITED STATES	19/10/2021	G/TBT/N/USA/1789	Toxic chemicals In response to a petition filed under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), EPA is proposing to add 12 chemicals to the list of toxic chemicals subject to the reporting requirements under EPCRA and the Pollution Prevention Act (PPA).	17 December 2021
TRANSPORT EXHAUST EMISSIONS	THAILAND	20/10/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/637	Light motor vehicles installed with LPG/NG retrofit systems The draft ministerial regulation mandates light motor vehicles installed with LPG/NG retrofit systems to conform with the standard for Light Motor Vehicles Installed with LPG/NG Retrofit Systems: Safety Requirements.	-
FLUID SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE					
VENTILATORS. FANS. AIR-CONDITIONERS	BRAZIL	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1214/Corr.3	Table, wall, pedestal and air circulator fans - Corrigendum Rectification of Ordinance Inmetro no. 299 of 9 July 2021, item 6.1.2.2.2.4, published in the Federal Official Gazette on 13 July 2011, Section 1, pages 36 to 40.	-

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VENTILATORS. FANS. AIR-CONDITIONERS	BRAZIL	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1271	Window or wall air conditioning machines, self-contained or "split-system" Public Consultation (Consulta Pública 117 de 14/10/2021) to the following draft Resolution of the Energy Efficiency Levels and Indicators Management Committee - CGIEE, stipulating the new Target Program for Air Conditioners.	12 November 2021
FOOD TECHNOLOGY					
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	BRAZIL	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/613/Add.3	Wine and derivatives of grape and wine - Addendum MAPA issued SDA Ordinance No. 411 that opens a 62-day period for public consultation on a draft regulation establishing the standards of identity and quality, as well as the complementary rules relating to the labelling and production process for wines and derivatives of grape and wine.	-
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	BRAZIL	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/781/Add.5	Food supplements and labelling - Addendum The Normative Instruction number 28, from 26 July 2018 - previously notified through G/TBT/N/BRA/781/Add.1 - which publishes the Draft Resolution 457/2017, notified through G/TBT/N/BRA/781, proposing essential requirements to prevent risks posed to health and safety of consumers, was changed by the Normative Instruction number 102, from 15 October 2021.	-
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	GUATEMALA	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/GTM/101/Corr.1	Supplements and food supplements - Corrigendum The following communication, dated October 22, 2021, is distributed at the request of the delegation from Guatemala.	-
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	THAILAND	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/623/Add.1	Food products containing cannabidiol extract - Addendum The draft Ministry of Public Health Notification (MOPH) entitled "Food Products Containing Cannabidiol Extract", previously notified in G/TBT/N/THA/623 dated 14 June 2021, was adopted and published in the Royal Gazette dated 27 August 2021 as Notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No. 429) entitled "Food Products Containing Cannabidiol Extract".	-
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	19/10/2021	G/TBT/N/TPKM/469	Prepackaged food products The main proposed revisions to the Regulations on Nutrition Claims for Prepackaged Food Products are as follows: 1. Addition of the scope of the definition and terms; 2. Revision to the description of nutrient content claims; 3. Addition of physiological function of nutrients content standard; 4. Revision to the words of claims made by re-hydration products; 5. Requirements for liquid products having two or more nutrition claims to add narrative; and 6. Revision to the words of Table 7.	60 days from notification

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FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	19/10/2021	G/TBT/N/TPKM/470	<p>Labelling of restructured and[...]ificially marbled meat products</p> <p>Based on the provisions of subparagraph 10, paragraph 1, Article 22, and paragraph 2, Article 25 of the Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation, the MOHW proposes to adopt the labelling requirements for artificially marbled meat products to keep consumers well informed of products they buy.</p>	60 days from notification
PREPACKAGED AND PREPARED FOODS	JAMAICA	20/10/2021	G/TBT/N/JAM/103	<p>Pre-packaged processed food</p> <p>This standard specifies the food safety requirements for a prepackaged processed food establishment.</p>	18 December 2021
GENERALITIES. TERMINOLOGY. STANDARDIZATION. DOCUMENTATION					
QUANTITIES AND UNITS	BRAZIL	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/53/Add.4/Corr.1	<p>Pre-packaged goods - Corrigendum</p> <p>Rectification of Inmetro public consultation no. 20, of 27 September 2021, article 3, published in the Federal Official Gazette on 29 September 2021, Section 1, pages 66 to 70.</p>	–
HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
LABORATORY MEDICINE	UNITED KINGDOM	20/10/2021	G/TBT/N/GBR/39/Add.3	<p>COVID-19 detection tests - Addendum</p> <p>We are publishing a protocol under regulation 39A of the Medical Devices Regulations 2002 which will allow certain Coronavirus test devices to remain on the market after 31 October without approval under regulation 38A(5).</p>	–
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	20/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1267/Corr.2	<p>Goods and products intended for scientific or technological research and research involving human beings - Corrigendum</p> <p>Rectification of Draft Resolution 1054, 15 September 2021.</p>	–
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	EUROPEAN UNION	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/EU/845	<p>In vitro diagnostic test systems</p> <p>Regulation (EU) 2017/746 on in vitro diagnostics medical devices (IVD Regulation) will apply from 26 May 2022.</p>	10 days from notification
PHARMACEUTICS	BRAZIL	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/961/Add.1	<p>Cannabis-based products per individual person, for personal use, upon medical prescription[...]for health treatment - Addendum</p> <p>The Resolution - RDC number335, 24 January 2020 - previously notified through G/TBT/N/BRA/961 - which establishes the criteria and procedure for the import of Cannabis-based products per individual person, for personal use, upon medical prescription from a legally qualified professional, for health treatment, was changed by Resolution - RDC number 570, 6 October 2021.▫</p>	–
PHARMACEUTICS	MÉXICO	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/MEX/495/Add.1	<p>Sterile nutritional and medicinal mixtures - Addendum</p> <p>PROJECT to modify sections 5.3, 6.7, 7.1, 7.2, 9.1 and 9.5; as well as various paragraphs of the normative appendices A, B, C, G, H, I and J, of the Official Mexican Standard NOM210-SSA1-2014, Products and services. Microbiological test methods.</p>	–

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SYRINGES, NEEDLES AND CATHETERS	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/ARE/518	Medical and laboratory measurement instruments This technical regulation includes the mandatory requirements for the following legal measuring instruments that are used in laboratories of all kinds, medical clinics, hospitals and health centers. It also applies to instruments imported or manufactured for these purposes, and include: 1- Digital medical thermometers; 2- Medical electric thermometers; 3- Non-overlapping mechanical medical sphygmomanometers; 4- Non-overlapping automated sphygmomanometers; 5- Automatic pipettes; 6- A graduated pipette; 7- A graduated Decanters; 8- Density meters; 9-Bursaries.	60 days from notification
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT. PHYSICAL PHENOMENA					
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT IN GENERAL	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/ARE/517	Legal units of measurement The provisions of this regulation apply to the legal units of measurement, their symbols and prefixes only, in the following areas: 1- Legal measuring instruments. 2- Prepackaged packages; 3- Commercial exchanges; 4- Legal examinations and measurements; 5- The areas of health, safety and environment; 6- Fields of education, and this does not preclude referring to units outside the legal units; 7- Advertisements, publications, books, magazines, and all advertising and media; 8- Documents, contracts, and all official documents issued by public and private official bodies and persons assigned with tasks related to public law.	60 days from notification
MEASUREMENT OF TIME, VELOCITY, ACCELERATION, ANGULAR VELOCITY	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/ARE/519	Measuring instruments for vehicle speed (radar) The provisions of regulation shall apply to - A very short-wave Doppler radar device to measure the speed of traffic on the roads, - Radar devices operating with laser technology. The regulation also specifies the controls and conditions that must be met by the radar when the results of its measurement are used in administrative, legal or judicial procedures.	60 days from notification
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT IN GENERAL	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/ARE/520	National system of measurement Cabinet Resolution No. () of 2021 Concerning the updating of National System of Measurement	60 days from notification
NATURAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES					
FOOD MICROBIOLOGY	MÉXICO	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/MEX/260/Add.1	Microbiological Test Methods - Addendum PROJECT to modify sections 5.3, 6.7, 7.1, 7.2, 9.1 and 9.5; as well as various paragraphs of the normative appendices A, B, C, G, H, I and J, of the Official Mexican Standard NOM210-SSA1-2014, Products and services. Microbiological test methods. Determination of Indicator microorganisms. Determination of pathogenic microorganisms,	-
PAINT AND COLOUR INDUSTRIES					
INKS. PRINTING INK	BURUNDI	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BDI/160	Toluene This draft standard prescribes the requirements, sampling and test methods for toluene.	60 days from notification

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ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	THAILAND	20/10/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/638	Motorcycles and mopeds : exhaust mufflers part The draft ministerial regulation mandates motorcycle exhaust muffler's part to conform with the standard for Motorcycle Exhaust Muffler's Part (TIS 3226 - 25XX(20XX)).	-
SERVICES. COMPANY ORGANIZATION. MANAGEMENT AND QUALITY. ADMINISTRATION. TRANSPORT. SOCIOLOGY					
PRODUCT AND COMPANY CERTIFICATION. CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT	THAILAND	20/10/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/639	Industrial products Due to the situation of Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), Ministry of Industry issued the regulation to exempt fees for conformity assessment bodies, prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation on Accreditation Fees for Conformity Assessment Bodies B.E. 2552 (2009) until 30 April 2022.	-
QUALITY	UNITED STATES	20/10/2021	G/TBT/N/USA/1790	Marine engineering The Coast Guard proposes to incorporate by reference updated marine engineering standards and eliminate outdated or unnecessarily prescriptive regulations in Title 46 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) subchapter F.	20 December 2021
QUALITY	UNITED STATES	21/10/2021	G/TBT/N/USA/1791	Hearing aids The Food and Drug Administration (FDA, we, or the Agency) is proposing to establish a regulatory category for over-the-counter (OTC) hearing aids and to make related amendments to update the regulatory framework for hearing aids.	18 January 2022
NO TITLE					
BPS MANDATORY CERTIFICATION	PHILIPPINES	18/10/2021	G/TBT/N/PHL/274	BPS mandatory certification This Technical Regulation prescribes the adoption of the latest versions of the reference standards used or entirely new standards to be used in the BPS Mandatory Product Certification Schemes	14 December 2021
COSMETICS	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/KOR/1000	Cosmetics Under the current law, Braille labeling may be placed on the container or packaging of cosmetic products to be accessible for blind or visually impaired consumers.	60 days from notification
ELECTRICAL LAMPS	BARBADOS	19/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRB/10	Electrical lamps An Act to provide for the phased elimination of the use and sale of inefficient electrical lamps in Barbados.	60 days from notification
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS	THAILAND	20/10/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/640	Industrial products Due to the situation of Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), Ministry of Industry issued the regulation to exempt fees for a license and a substitution of license, prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation on Fees for a License and a Substitution of License, B.E. 2548 (2005) until 30 April 2022.	-

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MEDICAL DEVICES	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/KOR/1001	Medical devices The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS) of the Republic of Korea is amending the "Enforcement Regulations of Medical Devices Act".	60 days from notification
PRE-PACKAGED GOODS SOLD IN MASS UNITS, OF UNEQUAL NOMINAL CONTENT	BRAZIL	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1224/Corr.1	Pre-packaged goods sold in mass units, of unequal nominal content - Corrigendum Rectification of 'considers' of Ordinance Inmetro No. 329, of 29 July 2021, published in the Federal Official Gazette of 3 August 2021, Section 1, page 22.	-
PRE-PACKAGED GOODS SOLD IN THE FORM OF AEROSOL	BRAZIL	06/08/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1225/Corr.1	Pre-packaged goods sold in the form of aerosol Rectification of Ordinance Inmetro No. 328, of 29 July 2021, article. 3, published in the Federal Official Gazette of 3 August 2021, Section 1, page 22.	-
PRODUCTS, INPUTS AND SERVICES UNDER INMETRO'S REGULATORY SCOPE AND WHICH COMPLIANCE IS COMPULSORILY ASSESSED	BRAZIL	22/10/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/907/Add.13	Products, inputs and services under Inmetro's regulatory scope and which compliance is compulsorily assessed - Addendum Inmetro, issued the following Ordinance 423, 15 October 2021 that: Approves Conformity Assessment Requirements for School Articles - Consolidated.	-