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Website: www.bps.dti.gov.ph 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.

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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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			AGRICULTUI	RE	
AGRICULTURAL MACHINES, IMPLEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT	PHILIPPINES	21/06/2017	G/TBT/N/PHL/198	Agricultural and fisheries machinery The guidelines shall cover the policies and mechanisms in the conduct of testing and evaluation of agricultural and fisheries machinery before it can be procured or sold in the market and accepted by procuring entity. It shall likewise include the institutional arrangements, accreditation of Test Engineers, establishment of certification registry, and provision of capacity building activities.	_
TOBACCO, TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	THAILAND	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/THA/499	Tobacco, tobacco products and related equipment This Tobacco Products Control Act B.E. 2560 (2017) - "Tobacco product" means the product containing tobacco leaves or Nicotiana tabacum, including any other product	_

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				- No person shall be allowed to sell or give tobacco product to a person who does not attain 20 full years of age. - No one shall assign, employ, ask or allow the person who is below 18 full years of age to sell or give tobacco product. - No person shall sell tobacco products in (1) temple or place for performance of religious ceremony (2) place for public health service and medical establishment under the law on medical establishment and drugstore under the law on drug (3) education establishment under the law on national education (4) public park, zoo and amusement park etc. - The tobacco products retailer shall be prohibited from selling tobacco products by vending machines, through electronic media or computer network, outside the places stated in the Tobacco Sales License, the distribution, addition, gift or exchange of tobacco product with other product other privilege, show the reduction of tobacco product price at the point of sale, sell product or provide service with the distribution, addition, gift of or exchange with tobacco product, hawk tobacco products, give or offer the right to attend game, show, service, lucky draw, prize contest or any other benefit as a consideration to the buyer of tobacco product or a person bringing package or label or anything relating to tobacco product for exchange or redemption therefor, display prices of tobacco products at a point of sale in such a way as encouraging tobacco product consumption - No one shall sell by means of division of tobacco products in the category of cigarette. - Manufacturer or importer of tobacco products for sale in the Kingdom shall have the duty to submit the information about the volume of manufacturing or importation into the Kingdom, marketing expenses, earnings and expenses	
			CHEMICA	LS	
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	ARGENTINA	20/06/2017	G/TBT/N/ARG/323	Domestic sanitary products Resolution ex MSyAS No. 709/98 establishes the national register of domestic sanitary products and, for this purpose, the classification of products according to level of risk. The revised version includes a list of categories of products that are classified or not classified as domestic sanitary products.	30 days from the date of notification.

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CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	20/06/2017	G/TBT/N/KOR/719	Chemical substances	60 days from
				Enforcement Rules of the Act on Registration and Evaluation, etc. of Chemical Substances 1. Extended notice period for registration and registration update (Article 6(1)2, Article 9(3)2 as amended) 2. Abrogated provision on submission of	
				written contract with testing institute when submitting a test plan (Article 14(2)2 is removed)	
				3. Enhanced process for test plan review and for informing the result (Article 15(1) & Article 15(3) as amended)	
				4. Joint submission of registration dossier, including risk data (Article 16(2) as amended)5. Enhanced method and procedure for joint	
				submission of registration dossier (Article 17 (1) as amended, Article 17(3) as new) 6. Improved procedure of hazard review (Article 23(1) as amended)	
				7. Expanded scope of those who should follow an order of withdrawal, etc. & Deadline for submitting written plan and result of the or-	
				der (Article 48 as amended) 8. Updated instruction for preparing application of registration exemption	
				confirmation (Appendix 5 as revised)	
				Enforcement Decree of the Act on Registration and Evaluation, etc. of Chemical Substances	
				Expanded scope of chemical substances subject to registration exemption (Article 11 (2)2 as amended) Expanded waiting of data requirements.	
				2. Expanded waiving of data requirements when submitting substance registration dossier (Article 13(6)2 as new)	
				3. Expanded scope of individual data submission when submitting registration dossier of existing substances subject to	
				registration (Article 14(3) as new) 4. Designation & Public Notice of substance subject to authorization, restricted or banned	
				substance (Article 19(3) and Article 20(4) as new) 5. Additional and updated works that the	
				Minister of Environment assigns or entrusts to the head of the National Institute of Environmental Research, the heads of local	
				environment offices, the Korea Environment Corporation and the Korea Chemicals Management Association (Article 31(1)7(2),	
				Article 31(4)1(2), and Article 31(4)2(2) as new, etc.)	

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COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	UGANDA	21/06/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/691	Hair spray This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for hair spray. This working draft is applicable to	60 days from notification
				both water based and oil based hair sprays delivered by the aerosol or non-aerosol system. This Draft standard does not apply to medicinal products for which therapeutic claims are made. Such products shall be registered with the Ministry of Health.	
			CONSTRUCTION MATERIA	I S AND BUILDINGS	
CEMENT,	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/166	Gypsum	60 days from
GYPSUM, LIME, MORTAR				These drafts of Egyptian standards applies to: Gypsum and gypsum based products and its families, gypsum plaster, gypsum fibre boards, prefabricated gypsum board panels with a cellular paperboard core, gypsum plaster core reinforced, gypsum based adhesives and identifies the various methods fixing, joining, adhesives and fastening, gypsum fibre boards, gypsum plasterboards and gypsum boards. These drafts specify the requirements, specifications, types, reprocessing, composition, and test methods, thermal/acoustic insulation composite panels - adhesives for thermal/acoustic insulation, composite panels and plasterboards, metal framing components for gypsum board systems, mechanical fasteners for gypsum plasterboard systems, fibrous reinforcement with mat reinforcement and gypsum fiber boards, characteristics and performance of fire protection, sound, or racking strength and, performance characteristics: reaction to fire, flexural (yield) strength and loadbearing capacity of suspension components, fire resistance, water vapor permeability, flexural strength, impact resistance, direct airborne sound insulation and thermal resistance and verification and test methods. also, covers additional technical characteristics that are of importance for the use, acceptance, conformity of this product, These drafts standards provide assessment, verification of constancy of performance, test methods and evaluation of conformity of the products. also, covers additional technical characteristics that are of importance for the use and acceptance of the product by the construction industry. Worth mentioning is that these standards comply with EN 520:2004+A1; EN 13950:2014; EN 14190:2014; EN 14195:2014; EN 14496:2005; EN 14566:2008+A1; EN 15283-1:2008+A1; EN	notification

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CEMENT, GYPSUM, LIME, MORTAR	PHILIPPINES	19/06/2017	G/TBT/N/PHL/197/Add.1	Cement and blended hydraulic cement with pozzolan - Addendum	-
				This addendum aims at informing that the Philippines' Department of Trade and Industry - Bureau of Philippine Standards issued a Department Administrative Order No. 17-05 on 17 May 2017 amending the Department Administrative Order No. 17-02 previously notified under the document G/TBT/N/PHL/197 which provides the New Guidelines for Mandatory Certification of Portland Cement and Blended Hydraulic Cement with Pozzolan Covered by PNS 07:2005 and PNS	
WATER HEATING	THE SEP-	23/06/2017	G/TBT/N/TPKM/279	63:2006 Respectively. Exhaust pipes for gas water heaters	60 days from
EQUIPMENT	ARATE CUS- TOMS TER- RITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU			In order to ensure the safety of consumers, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) proposes to regulate the inspection requirements for exhaust pipes for gas water heaters. The conformity assessment procedure for all such products will be the Registration of Product Certification or the Type Approved Batch Inspection.	notification
		DOMESTIC	, COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENTS	, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS	
MISCELLANEOUS DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/3/Add.3	Chemical, textile and engineering products - Addendum This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 1098/2016 (1 page, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 4562/2016 "Crayons and oil pastels" (21 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/3 dated 14 December 2005, mandated among others by the Ministerial Decree No. 423/2005 (25 pages, in Arabic).	-
DOMESTIC, COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/157/Add.1	Household and similar electrical appliances - Addendum This addendum concerns the notification of the extension of the transitional period provided to comply with the following Egyptian standards: ES 6000-1/2016 for "Household refrigerating appliances - Characteristics and test methods - Part 1: General requirements" (133 pages, in English) . ES 6000-2/2016 for "Household refrigerating appliances - Characteristics and test methods - Part 2: Performance requirements" (90 pages, in English) . ES 6000-3/2016 for "Household refrigerating appliances - Characteristics and test methods - Part 3: Energy consumption and volume" (332 pages, in English)	

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				which were formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/157dated 15 August 2016, mandated by the Ministerial Decree No. 241/2016 (3 pages, in Arabic).	
TOYS	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/164	This Draft standard for Safety of toys - Part 1: Mechanical and physical properties specifies the requirements and methods of tests for mechanical and physical properties of toys, Safety measures, Mechanical testing, Physical testing, Baby toys, Soft toys, Packaging, Marking, Labels, Age, Graphic symbols. This draft applies to toys for children, toys being any product or material designed or intended, whether or not exclusively, for use in play by children of less than 14 years. It refers to new toys taking into account the period of foreseeable and normal use, and that the toys are used as intended or in a foreseeable way, bearing in mind the behaviour of children. It includes specific requirements for toys intended for children under 36 months, children under 18 months and for children who are too young to sit up unaided. This draft Standard does not cover musical instruments, sports equipment or similar items but does include their toy counterparts. Worth mentioning is that this draft standard complies with EN 71-1:2014.	60 days from notification
EQUIPMENT FOR CHILDREN	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/165	Equipment for children The Draft of Egyptian standard for child use and care articles - baby carriers - Safety requirements and test methods Part 1: Framed back carriers, this part specifies the safety requirements and test methods for child back carriers with framed support, these framed carriers are intended for children who can sit unaided (approximately 6 months of age) and are designed to be attached to a carer's torso allowing a "hands free operation" when standing and/or walking. The Draft standard for child use and care articles - baby carriers - Safety requirements and test methods Part 2: soft carriers, this part specifies the safety requirements and test methods for soft carriers without a framed support incorporating integral leg openings designed to carry a child when attached to the carer's torso. Soft carriers are designed to allow the carer a hands-free operation when standing and/or walking. These soft carriers are for use up to a maximum weight of 15 kg. Worth mentioning is that these draft standards comply with EN 13209-1:2004 and	60 days from notification

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EQUIPMENT FOR CHILDREN	THE SEP- ARATE CUS- TOMS TER- RITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	20/06/2017	G/TBT/N/TPKM/278	Children's bedguards In response to concerns raised by consumers about the safety of bedguards due to an incident in 2015 where a 5-month-old baby suffocated and died because of being trapped between the bedguards and mattress, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection proposes to regulate the safety and quality of children's bedguards to prevent similar incidents from happening again. The proposed measure will apply to all bedguards for domestic use with the maximum height of 600 mm, minimum length of 1,400 mm, and intended to be used by children aged between 18 months and 5 years old.	30 days from notification
CLEANING APPLIANCES	UKRAINE	19/06/2017	G/TBT/N/UKR/108/Add.1	Vacuum cleaners - Addendum Ukraine would like to inform the WTO Members that the Draft Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine "On Approval of the Technical Regulation for the energy labelling of vacuum cleaners" (G/TBT/N/UKR/108) was adopted on 31 May 2017 and will enter into force on 14 December 2017.	-
			ELECTRICAL ENG	INEERING	
FUSES AND OTH- ER OVER CUR- RENT PRO- TECTION DEVICES	THAILAND	19/06/2017	G/TBT/N/THA/498	The Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI) has proposed to amend the Thai Industrial Standard for residual current operated circuit-breakers without integral overcurrent protection for household and similar uses (RCCBS)- Part 1: General Rules. This standard applies to residual current operated circuit-breakers functionally independent of, or functionally dependent on, line voltage, for household and similar uses, not incorporating overcurrent protection (hereafter referred to as RCCBs), for rated voltages not exceeding 440 V a.c. and rated currents not exceeding 125 A, intended principally for protection against shock-hazard. The main amendment includes standard values of rated residual operating current, which modified to be 0.006 - 0.01 - 0.015 - 0.03 - 0.1 - 0.2 - 0.3 - 0.5 - 1 A as stated in 5.3.3.	60 days from notification
		FL	UID SYSTEMS AND COMPONE	ENTS FOR GENERAL USE	
VENTILATORS, FANS, AIR- CONDITIONERS	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/68/Add.1	Air conditioners - Addendum This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 1098/2016 (1 page, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to	-

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				"Energy efficiency label requirements for air conditioners - Part: 1 - room air conditioner	
				(window - split) with fixed capacity & fixed	
				compressor" (23 pages, in Arabic) which was	
				formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/68 dated 3	
				June 2014, mandated among others by the Ministerial Decree No. 180/2003 (3 pages, in	
				Arabic) .	
PRESSURE VESSELS	UKRAINE	19/06/2017	G/TBT/N/UKR/111/Add.1	Simple pressure vessels - Addendum	-
				Ukraine would like to inform the WTO	
				Members that the Draft Resolution of the Cab-	
				inet of Ministers of Ukraine "On Approval of the Technical Regulation of simple pressure	
				vessels" (G/TBT/N/UKR/111) was adopted on	
				28 December 2016 and will enter into force on	
				13 July 2017.	
			FOOD AND BEV	/ERAGES	
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	CANADA	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/CAN/427/Rev.1	Beer - Revision	60 days from notification
				The Canadian Food Inspection Agency intends	
				to modernize the beer compositional standards and is seeking feedback on the proposed	
				changes to the Food and Drug Regulations prior	
				to developing and notifying regulatory	
				amendments. Proposed changes to the beer compositional standard include:	
				Allowing yeast and mixtures of yeast and	
				other micro-organisms for fermentation; • Removal of the current requirement relating	
				to the aroma, taste and character of beer;	
				• Addition of a maximum 4 percent residual	
				sugar limit in the final product as sold to	
				consumers; • Removal of permitted food additives to rely	
				on Health Canada's Lists of Permitted Food	
				Additives; • Removal of processing aids for consistency	
				with other compositional standards;	
				 Further clarification of the term "carbohydrate" and allowing it to be added at 	
				any time during processing;	
				Clarifying the allowance for herbs and spic-	
				es;	
				Allowing use of flavouring preparations with a mandatory labelling statement.	
				a mandatory labelling statement; • Removal of the standard for ale, stout,	
				porter and malt liquor.	
				Food additives and processing aids permitted	
				for use in beer would not change under this	
				proposal. Food additive are included in Health Canada's "Lists of Permitted Food Additives".	
				Amendment of Food and Drug Regulations will	
				be required to address allergen risks	

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FOOD TECHNOLOGY	CHINA	19/06/2017	G/TBT/N/CHN/1209	This Measure is in accordance with the provisions of the Food Safety Law of the People's Republic of China. In order to ensure the quality safety of foods exported to China and establish the effective linkage between competent authorities of exporting country/region and China, the importer shall submit the certificate attached to this batch of food issued by the competent authority of the exporting country/region or its authorized or designated institution to the local CIQ of the entry port when the food is imported to prove that this batch of food is from an enterprise under the supervision of the competent authority of the exporting country and is eligible for human consumption.	60 days after the distribution by the Secretariat of WTO
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	COSTA RICA	21/06/2017	G/TBT/N/CRI/168	Unripened cheese, including fresh cheese The notified Technical Regulation establishes the specifications to be met by unripened cheese, including fresh cheese, i.e. cheese that is ready for consumption immediately or shortly after manufacture. The Regulation applies to unripened cheese, including fresh cheese, intended for direct human consumption or further processing in the territory of the States Parties.	60 days from the date of notification
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	COSTA RICA	21/06/2017	G/TBT/N/CRI/169	Ultra-high temperature (UHT) pasteurized milk The notified Technical Regulation establishes the specifications to be met by ultra-high temperature (UHT) pasteurized milk meeting the definition in Section 4 thereof. The Regulation applies to UHT milk intended for direct human consumption or further processing in the territory of the States Parties. It does not apply to UHT milk in non-aseptic packaging and requiring refrig-	60 days from the date of notification
ANIMAL AND VEG- ETABLE FATS AND OILS	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/89/Add.1	Edible oil for frying - Addendum This addendum concerns the notification of adoption, publication, and entry into force of regulation: The Ministerial Decree No. 1111 /2016 (1 pages, in Arabic) that gives producers and importers a six months transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 8041/2016 "Edible fats and oils not covered by individual standards" (10 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified as a draft in G/TBT/N/EGY/89 dated 21 August 2015. Producers and importers are kept informed of any amendments in the Egyptian standards through the publication of administrative	-

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PREPACKAGED AND PREPARED FOOD	HONG KONG, CHI- NA	21/06/2017	G/TBT/N/HKG/43/Add.1	Infant formula, follow-up formula, feeding bottles, teats, pacifiers and food pr[]t and young children - Addendum	-
				The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has promulgated the voluntary "Hong Kong Code of Marketing of Formula Milk and Related Products, and Food Products for Infants & Young Children" (HK Code) on 13 June 2017 to protect breastfeeding and support the optimal feeding of infants and young children aged below 36 months.	
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS IN	HONDURAS	20/06/2017	G/TBT/N/HND/89	Unripened cheese, including fresh cheese	60 days from the
GENERAL				The notified Technical Regulation establishes the specifications to be met by unripened cheese, including fresh cheese, i.e. cheese that is ready for consumption immediately or shortly after manufacture. The Regulation applies to unripened cheese, including fresh cheese, intended for direct human consumption or further processing in the territory of the States Parties.	notification.
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS IN	HONDURAS	20/06/2017	G/TBT/N/HND/90	Ultra-high temperature (UHT) pasteurized milk	60 days from the date of
GENERAL				The notified Technical Regulation establishes the specifications to be met by ultra-high temperature (UHT) pasteurized milk meeting the definition in Section 4 thereof. The Regulation applies to UHT milk intended for direct human consumption or further processing in the territory of the States Parties. It does not apply to UHT milk in non-aseptic packaging and requiring refrigeration.	notification.
MILK AND MILK	NICARAGUA	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/NIC/153	Ultra-high temperature (UHT) pasteurized milk	60 days from the
PRODUCTS IN GENERAL				The notified Technical Regulation establishes the specifications to be met by ultra-high temperature (UHT) pasteurized milk meeting the definition in Section 4 thereof. The Regulation applies to UHT milk intended for direct human consumption or further processing in the territory of the States Parties. It does not apply to UHT milk in non-aseptic packaging and requiring refrigeration.	date of notification
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS IN	NICARAGUA	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/NIC/154	Unripened cheese, including fresh cheese	60 days from the date of notification
GENERAL				The notified Technical Regulation establishes the specifications to be met by unripened cheese, including fresh cheese, i.e. cheese that is ready for consumption immediately or shortly after manufacture. The Regulation applies to unripened cheese, including fresh cheese, intended for direct human consumption or further processing in the territory of the States Parties.	date of notification

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MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	EL SALVADOR	19/06/2017	G/TBT/N/SLV/195	Unripened cheese, including fresh cheese The notified Technical Regulation establishes the specifications to be met by unripened cheese, including fresh cheese, i.e. cheese that is ready for consumption immediately or shortly after manufacture. The Regulation applies to unripened cheese, including fresh cheese, intended for direct human	60 days from the date of notification.
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	EL SALVADOR	19/06/2017	G/TBT/N/SLV/196	consumption or further processing in the territory of the States Parties. Ultra-high temperature (UHT) pasteurized milk The notified Technical Regulation establishes the specifications to be met by ultra-high temperature (UHT) pasteurized milk meeting the definition in Section 4 thereof. The Regulation applies to UHT milk intended for direct human consumption or further processing in the territory of the States Parties. It does not apply to UHT milk in non-aseptic packaging and requiring refrigeration.	60 days from the date of notification.
ICE CREAM AND ICE CONFECTIONERY	UGANDA	23/06/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/692	Edible ices This Draft Uganda standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test for edible ices ready for human consumption and ice mixes in liquid or powdered/dried form.	60 days from notification
MILK AND PRO- CESSED MILK PRODUCTS	UGANDA	23/06/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/693	Flavoured milk This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for flavoured milk from cow, goat, camel, buffalo, or sheep milk. This standard does not apply to raw flavoured milk.	60 days from notification
FRUITS, VEG- ETABLES	SOUTH AFRICA	21/06/2017	G/TBT/N/ZAF/195/Add.1	Pineapples - Addendum The regulation is now in force. Regulations Relating to the Grading, Packaging and Marking of Pineapples intended for the sale in the Republic of South Africa. The Regulations prescribe specifications relating to the grading / classification, standards for classes, marking, packaging, sampling procedures and methods of inspection for pineapples.	-
	ı	ı	GLASS AND CERAMIC	S INDUSTRIES	
GLASS IN BUILDING	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/3/Add.4	Chemical, textile and engineering products - Addendum This addendum concerns the notification to Abide by the following Egyptian standards: - ES 1948-4 "glass in building - laminated glass and laminated safety glass - Part 4: test methods for durability" (18 pages, in Arabic),	_

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				- ES 1948-6 "glass in building - laminated glass and laminated safety glass - part 6: Appearance" (11 pages, in Arabic). The Egyptian standard ES 1948-4 and Egyptian standard ES 1948/2005 which were formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/3 dated 14 December 2005, mandated among others by the Ministerial Decree No. 423/2005 (25 pages, in Arabic).	
			HEALTH CARE TE	CHNOLOGY	
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	ARGENTINA	19/06/2017	G/TBT/N/ARG/203/Add.3	Medical technology products - Addendum Medical Technology Products It is announced that Provision (Disposición) No 727/2013 of the National Medicines, food products and medical technology (ANMAT) Requirements for the registration of medical products in the register of producers and products Medical Technology (G / TBT / N / ARG / 203 / Add.2) was amended and supplemented by the No 5706/2017 of ANMAT. The notified provision will apply to applications for approval, modification and Of Class I and II medical products, as well as Certain characteristic data of Class III and IV medical products authorized by ANMAT. Applications for approval and re-registration of Class III and IV medical products and Requests for modification of the characteristic data of those products which are not Covered by the new provision shall be subject to the	-
PHARMACEUTICS	CANADA	20/06/2017	G/TBT/N/CAN/528	The potential for harm associated with opioid drugs and the growing related public health crisis is the subject of increasing concern for Canadians and other levels of government in Canada. Health Canada has identified the need for strengthened post-market oversight of opioids to help monitor and mitigate their risks, and the need for patients to receive additional, clear information about the safe use of opioids and the risks associated with their use. The proposed amendments to the Food and Drugs Regulations would expressly permit the Minister of Health to add or amend terms and conditions to an authorization for the sale of an opioid. This authority could then be used by the Minister to compel an opioid authorization holder to develop and implement a risk management plan to appropriately monitor, quantify, characterize and mitigate the risks associated with post-market use of these	31 August 2017

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Froduct Sector	Country	Notified	Symbol	Froduct Coverage / Title	Comments			
		Notified	Symbol	The proposed amendments would also require that a patient information handout and warning sticker accompany prescription opioids at the time of sale.	Comments			
OPHTHALMIC EQUIPMENT	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/168	Ophthalmic equipment This draft standard specifies the requirements for mounted spectacle lenses relative to the prescription order. Worth mentioning is that this draft standard complies with ISO 21987:2009.	60 days from notification			
PHARMACEUTICS	JAPAN	23/06/2017	G/TBT/N/JPN/560	Substances with probable effects on the central nervous system Proposed "Shitei Yakubutsu" (designated 4 substances), and their "proper uses" designated under the Act .	Not Applicable			
RADIOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT	VIETNAM	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/VNM/96	Linear accelerator in radiotherapy This national technical regulation stipulates technical requirements and management requirements for using and accrediting and accreditation procedures of linear accelerator in radiotherapy. This technical regulation applies to: Organizations and individuals using linear accelerator; Organizations acting in accreditation of linear accelerator; Competent authorities and other relevant organizations and individuals.	60 days from notification			
METALLURGY								
STEELS	THAILAND	20/06/2017	G/TBT/N/THA/42/Rev.1/Add.1	Cold reduced flat steel - Addendum This addendum is to inform that the Thai Industrial Standard for Cold Reduced Flat Steel of Commercial and Drawing Qualities (TIS 2012 -2558 (2015)) issued by Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), notified underG/TBT/N/THA/42/Rev.1, was adopted on 31 May 2017 and will enter into force after 180 days of publication in the Official Gazette (27 November 2017).	_			
STEELS FOR PRESSURE PURPOSES	THAILAND	20/06/2017	G/TBT/N/THA/217/Rev.1/Add.1	Hot-rolled flat steel - Addendum This addendum is to inform that the Thai Industrial Standard for Hot Rolled Flat Steel for General Structure (TIS 1479-2558 (2015)) issued by Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), notified underG/TBT/N/THA/217/Rev.1, was adopted on 31 May 2017 and will enter into force after 180 days of publication in the Official Gazette (27 November 2017).	_			

Product Sector	Country	Date	TBT Notification	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for			
		Notified	Symbol		Comments			
PACKAGING ANG DISTRIBUTION OF GOODS								
PACKAGING AND DISTRIBUTION OF GOODS IN GENERAL	VIETNAM	21/06/2017	G/TBT/N/VNM/88/Add.1	Labelling of goods - Addendum This addendum is to inform that Viet Nam has adopted Decree No. 43/2017/ND-CP to replace the Decree No. 89/2006/ND-CP dated 30 August 2006 of the Government on Labelling of goods, notified under G/TBT/N/VNM/88. The Decree No. 43/2017/ND-CP was adopted on 14 April 2017 and became effective on 1 June 2017.	_			
PRECISION MECHANICS, JEWELLERY								
JEWELLERY	EGYPT	22/06/2017	G/TBT/N/EGY/167	Jewellery The Ministerial Decree No. 1098/2016 gives the producers and importers a transitional period of six months to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 6685/2016. This Standard specifies a range of fineness of precious metal alloys (excluding solders) recommended for use in the field of jewellery. Worth mentioning is that this standard complies with ISO 9202/2014.	60 days from notification			
ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING								
ROAD VEHICLE SYSTEMS	COLOMBIA	23/06/2017	G/TBT/N/COL/225	Electronic taximeters Object; Area of application; Definitions; Requirements Measures; Technical requirements; Electronic requirements; Demonstration of accordance; Testing method; Equivalent standards; Taximeter sealing; Obligations of the producer and importer; Prohibition on the placing on the market and use of taximeters; Inspection, monitoring and control authority; Sanctioning regime; Regime Transition and Effectiveness. Annex A, "Test Procedure for Taximeters", of this is an integral part of this standard. Annex B to the present resolution, "Test Report Format", forms part is integral part of	22 September 2017			