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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.

IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE

A total of 125 notifications on Domestic and Commercial Equipment, Environment, Health Protection, and Safety, Food and Beverages, Health Care Technology, Road Vehicles Engineering etc. from Brazil, Gulf Cooperation Council, Mexico, United States of America, 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

We are glad to be of service to you!

List of WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (28 October - 03 November 2017)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
FARMING AND FORESTRY	SWITZERLAND	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/CHE/227	Genetically modified (GM) plants, plant material, seeds and animals <i>Switzerland has adopted in a public voting in November 2005 a moratorium on the cultivation of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in Switzerland. This moratorium, introduced for a first period until 27 November 2010, was renewed until 27 November 2013, and then for a second time until 31 December 2017. There are two reasons for the present modification of the Federal Non-Human Gene Technology Law. In the first place, it aims to extend the moratorium for a new period of four years due to the uncertainty that persists concerning mandatory coexistence between GMOs and no-GMOs.</i>	29 December 2017

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				<p>According to art. 37a, "licenses for placing on the market of genetically modified plants and parts thereof, of genetically modified seeds and other reproductive plant material, and of genetically modified animals shall not be granted for agricultural, horticultural or silvicultural purposes for the period until 31 December 2021".</p> <p>The moratorium does not cover research activities (including field releases of GM plants, authorized and supervised by the competent authorities) with GMOs nor the placing on the market of food, feed, drugs, etc. consisting of or containing GMOs.</p> <p>In a second place, it consists of technical modifications, which are not TBT relevant. With these changes the environmental GMOs monitoring system has an adequate legal basis in the law with administrative sanctions in case of non-compliance.</p>	
CHEMICALS					
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	PARAGUAY	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/PRY/103	<p>Active substances</p> <p>The Draft Resolution establishes new guidelines for the registration of active substances technical grade in this category and a Internal Control System.</p>	30 days from the Notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING					
CEMENT, GYPSUM, LIME, MORTAR	CHILE	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/CHL/340/Add.1	<p>Cement mortar tile - Addendum</p> <p>The Republic of Chile reports that in relation to Standard NCh 187: 2010 "Mortar tiles of cement - Test methods ", notified on January 20, 2016, under the symbol G / TBT / N / CHL / 340, it is reported that it has been approved and declared as Official Norm of the Republic of Chile through Exempt Decree No. 42 of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, of March 2017, which came into force on September 30, 2017.</p>	—
CONCRETE AND CONCRETE PRODUCTS	CHILE	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/CHL/341/Add.1	<p>Concrete blocks for structural use - Addendum</p> <p>The Republic of Chile reports that in relation to Standard NCh 182: 2008 "Concrete blocks for structural use - Essays ", notified on January 20, 2016, under the symbol G / TBT / N / CHL / 341, it is reported that it has been approved and declared as Official Norm of the Republic of Chile through Exempt Decree No. 42 of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, of March 2017, which came into force on September 30, 2017.</p>	—

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CONCRETE AND CONCRETE PRODUCTS	CHILE	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/CHL/342/Add.1	Concrete blocks for structural use - Addendum <i>The Republic of Chile reports that in relation to Standard NCh 181: 2006 "Concrete blocks for structural use - General requirements ", notified on January 20, 2016, under the symbol G / TBT / N / CHL / 342, it is reported that it has been approved and declared as Official Norm of the Republic of Chile through Exempt Decree No. 42 of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, of March 2017, which came into force on September 30, 2017.</i>	—
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT, ENTERTAINMENT, AND SPORTS					
BODY CARE EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/606/Add.1	Disposable personal hygiene products - Addendum <i>This addendum aims at informing that the Brazilian Health Surveillance Agency - ANVISA issued the Ordinance N° 142, 17 March 2017 (Resolução RDC N° 142, de 17 de Março de 2017) that approves Technical Regulation previously notified as a draft, under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/606 , providing the regularization of disposable personal hygiene products, which comprise brushes and rods for oral hygiene, dental tapes, disposable sanitary napkins, menstruating collectors and flexible rods. It revokes Ordinance 10, 21 October 1999 (Resolução da Diretoria Colegiada-RDC 10, de 21/10/1999) .</i>	—
BODY CARE EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/606/Add.2	Disposable personal hygiene products - Addendum <i>This addendum aims at informing that the Brazilian Health Surveillance Agency - ANVISA issued the Ordinance N° 178, 26 September 2017 (Resolução RDC N° 178, de 26 de Setembro de 2017) that rewords Paragraphs 3 and 4 of art. 51 and Annex III of the Resolution of the Collegiate Board of Directors - RDC N° 142 17 March 2017, providing the regularization of disposable personal hygiene products, which comprise brushes and rods for oral hygiene, dental tapes, disposable sanitary napkins, menstruating collectors and flexible rods. It revokes section IV of art. 43 of the Ordinance - RDC N°. 142, 17 March 2017 (Resolução da Diretoria Colegiada - RDC n° 142, de 17 de Março de 2017) .</i>	—

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LAUNDRY APPLIANCES	BOTSWANA	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BWA/77	<p>Electric irons</p> <p><i>This Standard deals with the safety of electric dry irons and steam irons, including those with a separate water reservoir or boiler having a capacity not exceeding 5 l, for household and similar purposes, their rated voltage being not more than 250 V. Appliances not intended for normal household use, but which nevertheless may be a source of danger to the public, such as appliances intended to be used by laymen in shops, in light industry and on farms, are within the scope of this standard.</i></p>	Two months from date of circulation
HOME ECONOMICS IN GENERAL	CHINA	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/CHN/1222	<p>Consumer products</p> <p><i>This Administrative Rules specify the scope, liability subject and responsibilities of government authority and technical department of defective consumer products recall. It also stipulates the information management, defects investigation, operation and management of recall, legal liabilities of related bodies. It aims to further improve the administrative system of defective consumer products recall.</i></p>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
EQUIPMENT FOR CHILDREN	UNITED STATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/947/Add.2	<p>Children's articles containing specified phthalates - Addendum</p> <p><i>The United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) issues this final rule prohibiting children's toys and child care articles that contain concentrations of more than 0.1 percent of diisononyl phthalate (DINP), diisobutyl phthalate (DIBP), di-n-pentyl phthalate (DPENP), di-n-hexyl phthalate (DHEXP), and dicyclohexyl phthalate (DCHP) . Section 108 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) established permanent and interim prohibitions on the sale of certain consumer products containing specific phthalates. That provision also directed the CPSC to convene a Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel (CHAP) to study the effects on children's health of all phthalates and phthalate alternatives as used in children's toys and child care articles and to provide recommendations to the Commission regarding whether any phthalates or phthalate alternatives, other than those already permanently prohibited, should be prohibited. The CPSIA requires the Commission to promulgate a final rule after receiving the final CHAP report. This rule fulfills that requirement.</i></p>	—

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ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
CABLES	BOTSWANA	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BWA/75	<p>Cables</p> <p><i>This part of BOS 589 covers requirements for packaging and marking, for single-core and multicore extruded solid dielectric insulated cables of rated operating voltage (U0/ U) in the range 300/500 V to 1 900/3 300 V, for use in fixed installations, as covered by BOS 589-2 and SANS 1507-3 to SANS 1507-6.</i></p> <p><i>Specific requirements are given for a number of types of cables in common use. The types are as follows:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a. single-core and multicore cables, armoured and unarmoured;</i> <i>b. multicore flat cables with and without an earth continuity conductor;</i> <i>c. multicore round cables with aluminium / PVC laminate and an earth continuity conductor;</i> <i>d. cables with concentric conductors;</i> <i>e. cables with split concentric neutral and earth conductors;</i> <i>f. panel/cubicle cables, excluding flexible cables and cords; and</i> <i>g. insulated earth conductors.</i> <p><i>This specification also covers cables that reduce the overall risk associated with fires.</i></p>	Two Months from date of circulation
RECTIFIERS, CONVERTERS, STABILIZED POWER SUPPLY	MEXICO	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/MEX/335/Add.2	<p>External power supplies - Addendum</p> <p><i>Mexican Official Standard NOM-029-ENER-2017, Energy efficiency of external power supplies. Limits, test methods and labelling</i></p>	—
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH PROTECTION, AND SAFETY					
DRINKING WATER	BRAZIL	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/645/Add.1	<p>Water with salt added - Addendum</p> <p><i>The Draft Resolution n° 62/2015, notified through G/TBT/N/BRA/645 , was adopted as a final text, published as ANVISA Resolution - RDC n° 182, 13 October 2017.</i></p>	—
DRINKING WATER	ISRAEL	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ISR/862/Add.1	<p>Drinking water treatment systems - Addendum</p> <p><i>The full text of the draft standard revision, notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/862 dated 10 February 2016, has been replaced and is now available at:</i></p> <p><i>http://www.economy.gov.il/standartization/WTO_TBT/ISR_Text/SI1505Part2_Jan15.pdf</i></p> <p><i>This new draft revision adopts an updated version of the American Standard NSF/ANSI 58 from 2015 and will enter into force 6 months after publication in Israel Official Gazette.</i></p> <p><i>All major changes between the old standard and this new draft revision, remains as detailed in the original notification.</i></p>	—

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SPECIAL WASTES	MEXICO	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/MEX/377	<p>Wastes from special handling of the hydrocarbons sector</p> <p><i>This Official Mexican Emergency Regulation applies throughout the national territory and is mandatory for large generators of Hazardous Wastes and Special Handling Wastes from the activities of the Hydrocarbons sector referred to in article 3, section XI, of the Law of the National Agency for Industrial Safety and Environmental Protection of the Sector Hydrocarbons.</i></p>	N.A.
PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE	UNITED STATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1097/Add.3	<p>Fire prevention code - Addendum</p> <p><i>Rule number 69A-3.012 "Standards of the National Fire Protection Association and Other Standards Adopted" and rule number 69A-60.005 "Publications Referenced in NFPA 1, the Florida 2012 Edition, and NFPA 101, the Florida 2012 Edition, Added to the Florida Fire Prevention Code" were filed with the Florida Department of State's Administrative Code, Register and Laws Section on 20 October 2017. The rules are effective 31 December 2017.</i></p>	—
AIR QUALITY	UNITED STATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1193/Add.1	<p>Exhaust emissions - Addendum</p> <p><i>Amends rules regarding Innovative Heavy-Duty Engines and California Certification and Installation Procedures for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicle Hybrid Conversion Systems, and Exhaust Emissions Standards and Test Procedures-1985 and Subsequent Model Heavy-Duty Engines and Vehicles.</i></p>	—
PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	VIET NAM	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/VNM/108	<p>Protector for eye</p> <p><i>This draft national technical regulation stipulates requirements on occupational safety for eye protective equipment which is used to prevent dangerous and harmful elements causing eye damages and impaired vision to protect the eyes of workers.</i></p> <p><i>This draft national technical regulation does not regulate the maintenance of safety from harmful agents from nuclear radiation, X-rays, laser beams and low-temperature infrared radiation emitted from low heat sources.</i></p> <p><i>This draft national technical regulation applies to organizations and individuals who manufacture, import, supply and use eye protective equipment; competent state agencies and other relevant organizations and individuals.</i></p>	60 days from notification

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FOOD AND BEVERAGES					
EDIBLE OILS AND FATS, OILSEEDS	BAHRAIN	30/10/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/493	Vegetable fat spreads and blended spreads <i>This draft technical regulation applies to vegetable fats and fat mixtures containing fat content of not less than 10% and not more than 90%, and not applied to milk-derived fat and / or milk products to which other substances necessary for manufacture are added, and products with less fat content than 10% and higher than 90% butter and dairy fats.</i>	60 days from notification
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	BAHRAIN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/494	Frozen fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to all type of frozen fish.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	BAHRAIN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/495	Ice for human consumption <i>This draft technical regulation applies to ice intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	BAHRAIN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/496	Milkfat products <i>This draft technical regulation applies to anhydrous milk fat, milkfat, milk fat anhydrous butter oil, butter oil and ghee, which are used for further processing or culinary use.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	BAHRAIN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/497	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements for all packages of food materials, including metal, glass, plastic, paper, carton, multi-layered textile, and wood packages, in addition to other materials for packaging foodstuffs.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	BAHRAIN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/498	Food supplements <i>This draft technical regulation applies to food supplements marketed as food products and presented as such which marketed to the final consumer. But the regulation does not apply to any medical products.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	BAHRAIN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/499	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements of plastic packages in contact with food.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	BAHRAIN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/500	Non-alcoholic malt beverage <i>This draft technical regulation applies to non-alcoholic malt beverage intended for direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation

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FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	BAHRAIN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/501	Frozen fishes fillets <i>This draft technical regulation applies to frozen fish fillets of all type intended for direct human consumption with or without skin without any additional manufacturing processes. But not for the product intended for further manufacturing processes or for other industrial purposes.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	BAHRAIN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/502	Addition of essential nutrients to foods <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general principles that should be followed in foods which are added basic essential nutrients to it, and do not include supplements of vitamins and minerals.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	BAHRAIN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/503	Salted fish and dried salted fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to the basic requirements of salted fish and dried salted fish of the family Gadidae, which has been fully saturated with salt (heavy salted) or to salted fish which has been preserved by partial saturation to a salt content not less than 12% by weight of the salted fish which may be offered for consumption without further industrial processes.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	BAHRAIN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/504	Canned raspberries <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with canned raspberries of the genus (<i>Rubus idaeus</i> L. or <i>Rubus occidentalis</i> L.), definitions, packing media, defects, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	BAHRAIN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/505	Frozen tamia paste <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the requirements to be met in frozen tamia paste, definitions, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS	ISRAEL	2/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ISR/971	Minced meat and minced meat products <i>Revision of the partially Mandatory Standard SI 1188, dealing with minced meat and minced meat products. All standard's sections will be mandatory, after the entry into force of this new draft.</i>	60 days from notification

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EDIBLE OILS AND FATS, OILSEEDS	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	30/10/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1012	Vegetable fat spreads and blended spreads <i>This draft technical regulation applies to vegetable fats and fat mixtures containing fat content of not less than 10% and not more than 90%, and not applied to milk-derived fat and / or milk products to which other substances necessary for manufacture are added, and products with less fat content than 10% and higher than 90% butter and dairy fats.</i>	60 days from notification
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1013	Frozen fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to all type of frozen fish.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1014	Ice for human consumption <i>This draft technical regulation applies to ice intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1015	Milkfat products <i>This draft technical regulation applies to anhydrous milk fat, milkfat, milk fat anhydrous butter oil, butter oil and ghee, which are used for further processing or culinary use.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1016	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements for all packages of food materials, including metal, glass, plastic, paper, carton, multi-layered textile, and wood packages, in addition to other materials for packaging foodstuffs.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1017	Food supplements <i>This draft technical regulation applies to food supplements marketed as food products and presented as such which marketed to the final consumer. But the regulation does not apply to any medical products.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1018	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements of plastic packages in contact with food.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1019	Non-alcoholic malt beverage <i>This draft technical regulation applies to non-alcoholic malt beverage intended for direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation

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FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1020	Frozen fishes fillets <i>This draft technical regulation applies to frozen fish fillets of all type intended for direct human consumption with or without skin without any additional manufacturing processes. But not for the product intended for further manufacturing processes or for other industrial purposes.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1021	Addition of essential nutrients to foods <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general principles that should be followed in foods which are added basic essential nutrients to it, and do not include supplements of vitamins and minerals.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1022	Salted fish and dried salted fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to the basic requirements of salted fish and dried salted fish of the family Gadidae, which has been fully saturated with salt (heavy salted) or to salted fish which has been preserved by partial saturation to a salt content not less than 12% by weight of the salted fish which may be offered for consumption without further industrial processes.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1023	Canned raspberries <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with canned raspberries of the genus (<i>Rubus idaeus</i> L. or <i>Rubus occidentalis</i> L.), definitions, packing media, defects, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/1024	Frozen tamia paste <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the requirements to be met in frozen tamia paste, definitions, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
EDIBLE OILS AND FATS, OILSEEDS	KUWAIT	30/10/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/375	Vegetable fat spreads and blended spreads <i>This draft technical regulation applies to vegetable fats and fat mixtures containing fat content of not less than 10% and not more than 90%, and not applied to milk-derived fat and / or milk products to which other substances necessary for manufacture are added, and products with less fat content than 10% and higher than 90% butter and dairy fats.</i>	60 days from notification

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FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	KUWAIT	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/376	Frozen fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to all type of frozen fish.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KUWAIT	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/377	Ice for human consumption <i>This draft technical regulation applies to ice intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	KUWAIT	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/378	Milkfat products <i>This draft technical regulation applies to anhydrous milk fat, milkfat, milk fat anhydrous butter oil, butter oil and ghee, which are used for further processing or culinary use.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	KUWAIT	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/379	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements for all packages of food materials, including metal, glass, plastic, paper, carton, multi-layered textile, and wood packages, in addition to other materials for packaging foodstuffs.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	KUWAIT	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/380	Food supplements <i>This draft technical regulation applies to food supplements marketed as food products and presented as such which marketed to the final consumer. But the regulation does not apply to any medical products.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	KUWAIT	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/381	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements of plastic packages in contact with food.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KUWAIT	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/382	Non-alcoholic malt beverage <i>This draft technical regulation applies to non-alcoholic malt beverage intended for direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	KUWAIT	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/383	Frozen fishes fillets <i>This draft technical regulation applies to frozen fish fillets of all type intended for direct human consumption with or without skin without any additional manufacturing processes. But not for the product intended for further manufacturing processes or for other industrial purposes.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	KUWAIT	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/384	Addition of essential nutrients to foods <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general principles that should be followed in foods which are added basic essential nutrients to it, and do not include supplements of vitamins and minerals.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation

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MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	KUWAIT	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/385	<p>Salted fish and dried salted fish</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to the basic requirements of salted fish and dried salted fish of the family Gadidae, which has been fully saturated with salt (heavy salted) or to salted fish which has been preserved by partial saturation to a salt content not less than 12% by weight of the salted fish which may be offered for consumption without further industrial processes.</i></p>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	KUWAIT	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/386	<p>Canned raspberries</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with canned raspberries of the genus (Rubus idaeus L. or Rubus occidentalis L.), definitions, packing media, defects, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i></p>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	KUWAIT	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/387	<p>Frozen tamia paste</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the requirements to be met in frozen tamia paste, definitions, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i></p>	60 days from the date of notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	MEXICO	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/MEX/302/Add.3	<p>Alcoholic beverages - Addendum</p> <p><i>MEXICAN OFFICIAL STANDARD NOM-199-SCFI-2017, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES-DENOMINATION, PHYSICO-CHEMICAL SPECIFICATIONS, COMMERCIAL INFORMATION AND TEST METHODS.</i></p> <p><i>Any comments direct it to:</i> <i>Ministry of Economy</i> <i>Undersecretariat of Competitiveness and Regulations</i> <i>General Directorate of Standards</i> <i>Tel: (+52) 55 5729 9100 Ext. 43244</i> <i>Fax: (+52) 55 5520 9715</i> <i>Website: http://www.economia.gob.mx/comunidad-negocios/normalizacion/catalogomexicano-de-normas</i></p>	—
EDIBLE OILS AND FATS, OILSEEDS	OMAN	30/10/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/319	<p>Vegetable fat spreads and blended spreads</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to vegetable fats and fat mixtures containing fat content of not less than 10% and not more than 90%, and not applied to milk-derived fat and / or milk products to which other substances necessary for manufacture are added, and products with less fat content than 10% and higher than 90% butter and dairy fats.</i></p>	60 days from notification

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FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	OMAN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/320	Frozen fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to all type of frozen fish.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	OMAN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/321	Ice for human consumption <i>This draft technical regulation applies to ice intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	OMAN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/322	Milkfat products <i>This draft technical regulation applies to anhydrous milk fat, milkfat, milk fat anhydrous butter oil, butter oil and ghee, which are used for further processing or culinary use.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	OMAN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/323	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements for all packages of food materials, including metal, glass, plastic, paper, carton, multi-layered textile, and wood packages, in addition to other materials for packaging foodstuffs.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	OMAN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/324	Food supplements <i>This draft technical regulation applies to food supplements marketed as food products and presented as such which marketed to the final consumer. But the regulation does not apply to any medical products.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	OMAN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/325	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements of plastic packages in contact with food.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	OMAN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/326	Non-alcoholic malt beverage <i>This draft technical regulation applies to non-alcoholic malt beverage intended for direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	OMAN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/327	Frozen fishes fillets <i>This draft technical regulation applies to frozen fish fillets of all type intended for direct human consumption with or without skin without any additional manufacturing processes. But not for the product intended for further manufacturing processes or for other industrial purposes.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	OMAN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/328	Addition of essential nutrients to foods <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general principles that should be followed in foods which are added basic essential nutrients to it, and do not include supplements of vitamins and minerals.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation

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MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	OMAN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/329	<p>Salted fish and dried salted fish</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to the basic requirements of salted fish and dried salted fish of the family Gadidae, which has been fully saturated with salt (heavy salted) or to salted fish which has been preserved by partial saturation to a salt content not less than 12% by weight of the salted fish which may be offered for consumption without further industrial processes.</i></p>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	OMAN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/330	<p>Canned raspberries</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with canned raspberries of the genus (Rubus idaeus L. or Rubus occidentalis L.), definitions, packing media, defects, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i></p>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	OMAN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/331	<p>Frozen tamia paste</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the requirements to be met in frozen tamia paste, definitions, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i></p>	60 days from the date of notification
EDIBLE OILS AND FATS, OILSEEDS	QATAR	30/10/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/492	<p>Vegetable fat spreads and blended spreads</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to vegetable fats and fat mixtures containing fat content of not less than 10% and not more than 90%, and not applied to milk-derived fat and / or milk products to which other substances necessary for manufacture are added, and products with less fat content than 10% and higher than 90% butter and dairy fats.</i></p>	60 days from notification
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	QATAR	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/493	<p>Frozen fish</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to all type of frozen fish.</i></p>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	QATAR	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/494	<p>Ice for human consumption</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to ice intended for human consumption.</i></p>	60 days from the date of circulation
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	QATAR	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/495	<p>Milkfat products</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to anhydrous milk fat, milkfat, milk fat anhydrous butter oil, butter oil and ghee, which are used for further processing or culinary use.</i></p>	60 days from the date of circulation

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MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	QATAR	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/496	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements for all packages of food materials, including metal, glass, plastic, paper, carton, multi-layered textile, and wood packages, in addition to other materials for packaging foodstuffs.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	QATAR	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/497	Food supplements <i>This draft technical regulation applies to food supplements marketed as food products and presented as such which marketed to the final consumer. But the regulation does not apply to any medical products.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	QATAR	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/498	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements of plastic packages in contact with food.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	QATAR	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/499	Non-alcoholic malt beverage <i>This draft technical regulation applies to non-alcoholic malt beverage intended for direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	QATAR	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/500	Frozen fishes fillets <i>This draft technical regulation applies to frozen fish fillets of all type intended for direct human consumption with or without skin without any additional manufacturing processes. But not for the product intended for further manufacturing processes or for other industrial purposes.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	QATAR	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/501	Addition of essential nutrients to foods <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general principles that should be followed in foods which are added basic essential nutrients to it, and do not include supplements of vitamins and minerals.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	QATAR	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/502	Salted fish and dried salted fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to the basic requirements of salted fish and dried salted fish of the family Gadidae, which has been fully saturated with salt (heavy salted) or to salted fish which has been preserved by partial saturation to a salt content not less than 12% by weight of the salted fish which may be offered for consumption without further industrial processes.</i>	60 days from the date of notification

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FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	QATAR	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/503	<p>Canned raspberries</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with canned raspberries of the genus (<i>Rubus idaeus</i> L. or <i>Rubus occidentalis</i> L.), definitions, packing media, defects, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i></p>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	QATAR	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/504	<p>Frozen tamia paste</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the requirements to be met in frozen tamia paste, definitions, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i></p>	60 days from the date of notification
PREPACKAGED AND PREPARED FOODS	SINGAPORE	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/SGP/40	<p>Infant formula</p> <p><i>The Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority has completed a review of the Food Regulations and proposes the following amendments to the regulations for infant formula.</i></p> <p><i>(A) Inclusion of mandatory statements</i></p> <p><i>The label for infant formula must include statements to ensure that the consumer understands that</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ <i>breast milk is best for infants; and</i> □ <i>the infant formula should be used on the advice of a doctor or healthcare practitioner</i> <p><i>(B) Prohibition of use of health claims</i></p> <p><i>Labels and advertisements for infant formula must not contain claims which state, suggest or imply that the infant formula or a component, ingredient, constituent or other feature of the infant formula has, or may have, a health effect.</i></p> <p><i>(C) Prohibition on idealisation of infant formula</i></p> <p><i>i. Labels and advertisements for infant formula must not contain claims which directly or indirectly compare the infant formula or a component, ingredient, constituent or other feature of the infant formula to breast milk.</i></p> <p><i>ii. Labels and advertisements for infant formula must not contain claims which idealise the use of infant formula. A claim is taken to idealise the use of infant formula if the label or advertisement contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ <i>a pictorial or graphic representation of pregnant women, nursing women, infants, young children or carers;</i> □ <i>a descriptor like "humanised" or "maternalised", or words of similar import; or</i> □ <i>a pictorial or graphic representation or text which implies that infant health, happiness, well-being or enhanced abilities; or the health, happiness and wellbeing of carers, is associated with infant formula.</i> 	60 days from notification

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				<p>(D) Prohibition and restriction on use of nutrition claims on labels and advertisements for infant formula</p> <p>a. Claims in respect of energy and carbohydrate present in infant formula, as well as nutrients listed under Regulation 252 (3) must not be made.</p> <p>b. Claims with respect to ingredients listed under Regulation 252(5) and 252(6) are permitted, provided the claims do not in any way imply that the infant formula is enriched, fortified, or is an excellent source of these ingredients.</p> <p>c. Claims on the presence or absence of the following nutrients are permitted:</p> <p>i. Claims on the addition of hydrolysed milk protein isolate; provided that prescribed statements are included on the label of the infant formula</p> <p>ii. Claims on the absence of lactose; provided that specified criteria are complied with.</p>	
EDIBLE OILS AND FATS, OILSEEDS	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	30/10/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/380	<p>Vegetable fat spreads and blended spreads</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to vegetable fats and fat mixtures containing fat content of not less than 10% and not more than 90%, and not applied to milk-derived fat and / or milk products to which other substances necessary for manufacture are added, and products with less fat content than 10% and higher than 90% butter and dairy fats.</i></p>	60 days from notification
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/381	<p>Frozen fish</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to all type of frozen fish.</i></p>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/382	<p>Ice for human consumption</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to ice intended for human consumption.</i></p>	60 days from the date of circulation
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/383	<p>Milkfat products</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation applies to anhydrous milk fat, milkfat, milk fat anhydrous butter oil, butter oil and ghee, which are used for further processing or culinary use.</i></p>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/384	<p>Food packages</p> <p><i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements for all packages of food materials, including metal, glass, plastic, paper, carton, multi-layered textile, and wood packages, in addition to other materials for packaging foodstuffs.</i></p>	60 days from the date of circulation

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FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/385	Food supplements <i>This draft technical regulation applies to food supplements marketed as food products and presented as such which marketed to the final consumer. But the regulation does not apply to any medical products.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/386	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements of plastic packages in contact with food.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/387	Non-alcoholic malt beverage <i>This draft technical regulation applies to non-alcoholic malt beverage intended for direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/388	Frozen fishes fillets <i>This draft technical regulation applies to frozen fish fillets of all type intended for direct human consumption with or without skin without any additional manufacturing processes. But not for the product intended for further manufacturing processes or for other industrial purposes.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/389	Addition of essential nutrients to foods <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general principles that should be followed in foods which are added basic essential nutrients to it, and do not include supplements of vitamins and minerals.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/390	Salted fish and dried salted fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to the basic requirements of salted fish and dried salted fish of the family Gadidae, which has been fully saturated with salt (heavy salted) or to salted fish which has been preserved by partial saturation to a salt content not less than 12% by weight of the salted fish which may be offered for consumption without further industrial processes.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/391	Canned raspberries <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with canned raspberries of the genus (Rubus idaeus L. or Rubus occidentalis L.), definitions, packing media, defects, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i>	60 days from the date of notification

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FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/392	Frozen tamia paste <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the requirements to be met in frozen tamia paste, definitions, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
EDIBLE OILS AND FATS, OILSEEDS	YEMEN	30/10/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/95	Vegetable fat spreads and blended spreads <i>This draft technical regulation applies to vegetable fats and fat mixtures containing fat content of not less than 10% and not more than 90%, and not applied to milk-derived fat and / or milk products to which other substances necessary for manufacture are added, and products with less fat content than 10% and higher than 90% butter and dairy fats.</i>	60 days from notification
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	YEMEN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/96	Frozen fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to all type of frozen fish.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	YEMEN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/97	Ice for human consumption <i>This draft technical regulation applies to ice intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	YEMEN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/98	Milkfat products <i>This draft technical regulation applies to anhydrous milk fat, milkfat, milk fat anhydrous butter oil, butter oil and ghee, which are used for further processing or culinary use.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	YEMEN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/99	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements for all packages of food materials, including metal, glass, plastic, paper, carton, multi-layered textile, and wood packages, in addition to other materials for packaging foodstuffs.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	YEMEN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/100	Food supplements <i>This draft technical regulation applies to food supplements marketed as food products and presented as such which marketed to the final consumer. But the regulation does not apply to any medical products.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	YEMEN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/101	Food packages <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general requirements of plastic packages in contact with food.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation

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NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	YEMEN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/102	Non-alcoholic malt beverage <i>This draft technical regulation applies to non-alcoholic malt beverage intended for direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	YEMEN	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/103	Frozen fishes fillets <i>This draft technical regulation applies to frozen fish fillets of all type intended for direct human consumption with or without skin without any additional manufacturing processes. But not for the product intended for further manufacturing processes or for other industrial purposes.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	YEMEN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/104	Addition of essential nutrients to foods <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the general principles that should be followed in foods which are added basic essential nutrients to it, and do not include supplements of vitamins and minerals.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	YEMEN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/105	Salted fish and dried salted fish <i>This draft technical regulation applies to the basic requirements of salted fish and dried salted fish of the family Gadidae, which has been fully saturated with salt (heavy salted) or to salted fish which has been preserved by partial saturation to a salt content not less than 12% by weight of the salted fish which may be offered for consumption without further industrial processes.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	YEMEN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/106	Canned raspberries <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with canned raspberries of the genus (Rubus idaeus L. or Rubus occidentalis L.), definitions, packing media, defects, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	YEMEN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/107	Frozen tamia paste <i>This draft technical regulation is concerned with the requirements to be met in frozen tamia paste, definitions, requirements, sampling, test methods, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
MEDICAMENTS	CHINA	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/CHN/1221	Drugs <i>These measures are formulated to standardize the formulation, revision and release, as well as strengthen the implementation and supervision of drug standards. These measures consist of ten parts in accordance with the standard management workflow, i.e. general</i>	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat

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				<i>principles, programming, formulation and revision, approval and promulgation, implementation, review, information management and disclosure, supervision, local</i>	
PHARMACEUTICS	JAPAN	31/10/2017	G/TBT/N/JPN/570	Pharmaceutical products <i>The Minimum Requirements for Biological Products shall be partially amended to revise the standard for the "Recombinant Adsorbed Hepatitis B Vaccine (prepared from yeast)".</i>	24 November 2017
PHARMACEUTICS	JAPAN	03/11/2017	G/TBT/N/JPN/571	Substances with probable effects on the central nervous system <i>Proposed "Shitei Yakubutsu" (designated 2 substances), and their "proper uses" designated under the Act .</i>	Not applicable
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1311	Gastroenterology-urology devices <i>The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is classifying the high intensity ultrasound system for prostate tissue ablation into class II (special controls) . The special controls that apply to the device type are identified in this order and will be part of the codified language for the high intensity ultrasound system for prostate tissue ablation's classification. We are taking this action because we have determined that classifying the device into class II (special controls) will provide a reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness of the device. We believe this action will also enhance patients' access to beneficial innovative devices, in part by reducing regulatory burdens.</i>	None
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1312	Organophosphate test system <i>The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is classifying the organophosphate test system into class II (special controls) . The special controls that apply to the device type are identified in this order and will be part of the codified language for the organophosphate test system's classification. We are taking this action because we have determined that classifying the device into class II (special controls) will provide a reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness of the device. We believe this action will also enhance patients' access to beneficial innovative devices, in part by reducing regulatory burdens.</i>	None
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1313	Medical device to detect and identify microbial pathogen nucleic acids in cerebrospinal fluid <i>The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is classifying the device to detect and identify microbial pathogen nucleic acids in cerebrospinal fluid into class II (special controls) .</i>	None

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				<i>The special controls that will apply to the device type are identified in this order and will be part of the codified language for the device to detect and identify microbial pathogen nucleic acids in cerebrospinal fluid's classification. We are taking this action because we have determined that classifying the device into class II (special controls) will provide a reasonable assurance of safety and effectiveness of the device. We believe this action will also enhance patients' access to beneficial innovative devices, in part by reducing regulatory burdens.</i>	
ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
GLAZING AND WIPER SYSTEMS	BRAZIL	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/755	Safety glass, of tempered or laminated glass <i>Ordinance providing amendments to Ordinance 254, 26 October 2007 (Resolução CONTRAN nº 254, 26 October 2007) which establishes the mandatory requirements for security glass and the criteria for applying inscriptions, pictograms, and films in the glazed areas of motor vehicles.</i>	Not applicable
PRESSURE CHARGING AND AIR/EXHAUST GAS DUCTING SYSTEMS	MEXICO	30/10/2017	G/TBT/N/MEX/100/Add.2	New motor vehicles - Addendum <i>Notice of the authorization, by the Directorate-General for Air Quality Management and the Pollutant Release and Transfer Register, under the Ministry of the Environment and Natural Resources, of alternative testing equipment for use in Mexican Official Standard NOM-042-SEMARNAT-2003: Establishing the maximum permissible limits for emissions of of total hydrocarbons, non-methane hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxide and particles from the exhaust pipes of new motor vehicles of a gross vehicle weight not exceeding 3,857 kg, and using gasoline, liquefied petroleum gas, natural gas or diesel fuel, as well as for emissions of evaporative hydrocarbons from the fuel systems of such vehicles.</i>	—
ROAD VEHICLE SYSTEMS	UNITED STATES	01/11/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/705/Add.3	Heavy vehicles - Addendum <i>This final rule addresses a petition for reconsideration of the final rule for FMVSS No. 136, Electronic stability control systems for heavy vehicles. The petitioner, Truck and Engine Manufacturers Association (EMA), requested that NHTSA amend the test conditions for the agency's performance test by allowing a larger lane width for long wheelbase truck tractors. After a careful technical review of the petition and the issues raised by the petitioner, the agency has decided to grant the petition because there is sufficient evidence to indicate that a larger lane width is needed for testing of long wheelbase truck tractors.</i>	—

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GLAZING AND WIPER SYSTEMS	VIET NAM	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/VNM/109	<p>Glass mirrors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This draft technical regulation regulates technical requirements and technical safety quality test of mirrors for automobiles type M, N, as defined in TCVN 8656; This draft technical regulation does not apply to camera, screen and other observation equipment providing the drivers with the range of observation as regulated in Appendix 1 of this draft technical regulation; This draft technical regulation applies to the facilities manufacturing and importing mirrors for automobiles and agencies, organizations and individuals involved in the testing, inspection and certification for the quality and safety of mirrors for automobiles; This draft technical regulation shall replace QCVN 33:2011/BGTVT National technical regulation on mirrors for automobiles. 	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	VIET NAM	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/VNM/110	<p>Motor vehicle structure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This draft technical regulation provides the technical requirements and quality control of safety for structure to the prevention of fire risks of vehicles M, N, O including technical requirements for fuel tanks and installation of fuel tanks on vehicles defined in TCVN 8658: 2010. Manufacturers, assemblers and importers of vehicles, manufacturers and importers of fuel tanks and other individuals and organizations involved in testing and quality certification for safety and environmental protection shall comply with this Regulation. 	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	VIET NAM	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/VNM/111	<p>Materials used in the interior structure of certain categories of motor vehicles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This draft technical regulation regulates the test of the burning behaviour of materials used in the interior structure of certain categories of motor vehicles (passenger cars with a total mass of more than 5 tons and allowed to carry persons or more including driver); This draft technical regulation does not apply to city passenger cars as defined in TCVN 6211; This draft technical regulation applies to the establishments manufacturing, assembling and importing vehicles, manufacturing and importing materials in the interior structure of vehicles and other agencies, organizations and individuals involved in the testing, inspection and certification for the quality and the safety of vehicles; 	60 days from notification

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This draft technical regulation shall replace QCVN 53:2013/BGTVT National technical regulation on the burning behaviour of materials used in the interior structure of certain categories of motor vehicles. 	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
AUDIO, VIDEO AND AUDIO-VISUAL ENGINEERING	BOTSWANA	02/11/2017	G/TBT/N/BWA/76	<p>Audio, video and similar electronic apparatus</p> <p><i>This safety Standard applies to electronic apparatus designed to be fed from the mains, from a supply apparatus, from batteries or from remote power feeding and intended for reception, generation, recording or reproduction of audio, video and associated signals. It also applies to apparatus designed to be used exclusively in combination with the above-mentioned apparatus.</i></p> <p><i>This standard primarily concerns apparatus intended for household and similar general use but which may be also used in places for public assembly such as schools, theatres, places of worship and the workplace. This standard concerns only safety aspects of the above apparatus. It does not concern other matters, such as style or performance.</i></p>	Two months from date of circulation