

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 42 notifications on Agriculture, Chemical technology, Environment, Health protection, Safety, Food technology, and Health care technology, etc., from Brazil, China, European Union, Mexico, 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 (05-11 September 2020)

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| AGRICULTURE | | | | | |
| PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS | DENMARK | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/DNK/101 | Pesticides and biocides <i>There is already a requirement in the order § 29, that sale of toxic or very toxic pesticides and biocides requires a permission from the Danish Environmental Agency.</i> | 30 November 2020 |
| PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS | UNITED STATES | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/EU/735 | Fenpyrazamine (pesticide active substance) <i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation provides that the approval of the active substance fenpyrazamine is amended in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009.</i> | 60 days from notification |

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| CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY | | | | | |
| COSMETICS. TOILETRIES | CHINA | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/CHN/1459 | Cosmetics <i>The Guidelines are intended to guide and standardize the safety assessment of cosmetics and cosmetic ingredients to ensure the safety of cosmetics.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| COSMETICS. TOILETRIES | CHINA | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/CHN/1460 | Cosmetics <i>This document is drafted to carry out detailed classification of cosmetics which is applied to the statistics and supervision of cosmetics products, as well as the clarification of the catalogue of products.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY | CHINA | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/CHN/1461 | New chemical substances <i>This guidance is a supporting regulatory document for the implementation of the "Measures on The Environmental Management Registration of New Chemical Substances".</i> | 60 days from notification |
| INORGANIC CHEMICALS | CZECH REPUBLIC | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/CZE/251 | Chemical weapons <i>The draft Implementing Decree replaces the existing Implementing Decree No 208/2008.</i> | 30 November 2020 |
| ORGANIC CHEMICALS | EUROPEAN UNION | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/EU/736 | Polycyclic-aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) in granules or mulches used as infill mate[...] rounds or in sport applications <i>This draft Regulation would amend entry 50 of Annex XVII to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 by adding the following restriction.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| ORGANIC CHEMICALS | EUROPEAN UNION | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/EU/737 | Children's toys <i>Inclusion, in Directive 2009/48/EC, of limit values for aniline in certain toy materials, both for free aniline and for total aniline after reductive cleavage, in order to increase children's safety.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY | EUROPEAN UNION | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/EU/739 | Biocidal products - Esbiothrin as an active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 18 <i>This draft Commission Implementing Decision does not approve esbiothrin as an active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 18.</i> | 60 days from notification |

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| PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY | EUROPEAN UNION | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/EU/740 | Biocidal products - Carbon dioxide <i>This draft Commission Delegated Regulation amends Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council to include carbon dioxide generated from propane, butane or a mixture of both by combustion as an active substance in Annex I thereto.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY | EUROPEAN UNION | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/EU/741 | Biocidal products - Carbon dioxide <i>This draft Commission Implementing Decision does not approve carbon dioxide as an active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 19.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| CIVIL ENGINEERING | | | | | |
| ROAD EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATIONS | UGANDA | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/UGA/1223 | Glass-bead lens and microprismatic, retroreflective sheeting designed for use on traffic c[...], barricades, and other devices <i>This Working Draft Uganda Standard covers flexible, non-exposed glass-bead lens and microprismatic, retroreflective sheeting designed for use on traffic control signs, delineators, barricades, and other devices.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT. ENTERTAINMENT. SPORTS | | | | | |
| DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES IN GENERAL | GRENADA | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/GRD/29 | Labels of electrical appliances to be sold or traded <i>This is the first revision of GDS 1: Part 8: 2001 - Labelling of Domestic Electrical Appliances.</i> | 29 November 2020 |
| FURNITURE | UNITED STATES | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/USA/564/Add.8 | Baby cribs - Addendum <i>The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or Commission) is announcing the availability of a completed rule review under section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) for the safety standards for full-size baby cribs and non-full-size baby cribs (crib</i> | — |
| ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING | | | | | |
| WIND TURBINE ENERGY SYSTEMS | DENMARK | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/DNK/100 | Wind turbines <i>The Executive Order aims to ensure that Wind turbines installed on land, in the territorial sea in the exclusive economic zone, and which are used for electrical energy production, do not pose a risk to the safety and Health of persons and livestock.</i> | 27 November 2020 |

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| ENERGY EFFICIENCY. ENERGY CONSERVATION IN GENERAL | UKRAINE | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/UKR/168 | Space heaters and combination heaters <i>The draft of Technical Regulation establishes the requirements for the energy labeling of, and the provision of supplementary product information on the space heaters and combination heaters.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| ENVIRONMENT. HEALTH PROTECTION. SAFETY | | | | | |
| WASTES IN GENERAL | DOMINICA | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/DMA/16 | Biodegradable and compostable materials : single use bags; products used in food service [...]sive of packaging and tableware <i>This standard specifies the requirements for the determination of biodegradable and compostable materials.</i> | 31 October 2020 |
| TRANSPORT EXHAUST EMISSIONS | KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/SAU/1141 | School buses <i>This Standard specifies the technical requirements for school buses intended to transport students to ensuring high levels of safety and environmental protection from gaseous emissions.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION | UNITED STATES | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/USA/1617/Add.1 | Chemical substances, risk evaluation - Addendum <i>EPA is announcing the availability of the final scope documents for the risk evaluations to be conducted for the 20 High-Priority Substances designated in December 2019.</i> | – |
| ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION | UNITED STATES | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/USA/1618/Add.1 | Chemical substances, risk evaluation - Addendum <i>EPA is announcing the availability of the final scope documents for the risk evaluations to be conducted for the 20 High-Priority Substances designated in December 2019.</i> | – |
| FOOD TECHNOLOGY | | | | | |
| CHEESE | BRAZIL | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/BRA/926/Add.1/Corr.1 | Ricotta cheese - Corrigendum <i>This notification was circulated in error and is therefore null and void.</i> | – |

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| CHEESE | BRAZIL | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/BRA/926/Add.2 | Riccotta cheese - Addendum <i>The Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply - MAPA, Brazil, following a period of public comments as notified on G/TBT/N/BRA/926, has published the Technical Regulation No. 65, 21 July 2020, in the Official Gazette No. 140 on 23 July 2020, to establish the identity and quality standards for ricotta cheese. The notified measure enters into force on 03 August 2020.</i> | – |
| PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY | ECUADOR | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/ECU/490 | Manufacturing, production, elaboration, preparation, packaging, packing, maqui [...] processes processed for human consumption <i>The present sanitary technical regulation aims to establish the conditions of Good Manufacturing Practices for processing plants food.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL | EUROPEAN UNION | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/EU/738 | Organic products <i>Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the present proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2018/848 on organic production defers by one year the date of entry into application of Regulation (EU) 2018/848 on organic production.</i> | 30 days from notification |
| MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS | JAPAN | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/JPN/671 | Organic turkey <i>In order to introduce the new standards for organic turkey, MAFF will revise the Japanese Agricultural Standards for Organic Livestock.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS | MEXICO | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/MEX/464/Add.1 | Tuna, bonito and pre-packaged preparations thereof - Addendum <i>Publication, in the Official Journal, of the replies to comments received during the public consultation period for Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-235-SE-2019: "Tuna, bonito and pre-packaged preparations thereof - Description - Commercial information and test methods", published on 23 March 2020.</i> | – |
| NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES | MEXICO | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/MEX/468/Add.1/Corr.1 | Pre-packaged food and non-alcoholic beverages - Corrigendum <i>Notification G/TBT/N/MEX/468/Add.1 was circulated in error and should therefore be considered null and void.</i> | – |

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| MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE | THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/TPKM/431 | Labeling requirement on countr[...]and other edible parts of pig <i>The Ministry of Health and Welfare (MOHW) proposes to regulate the labeling requirement on country of origin for bulk food that contain pork and other edible parts of pig to provide consumers information for choice.</i> | 14 September 2020 |
| FLUID SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE | | | | | |
| PRESSURE VESSELS | CHINA | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/CHN/1458 | Gas cylinder <i>Supervision Regulation on Safety Technology of Gas Cylinder is drafted to revise the related stipulations.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY | | | | | |
| PHARMACEUTICS | CHILE | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/CHL/531 | Pharmaceutical products <i>Ministry of Health aim to simplify the formalities related to the administrative procedure for registration health of pharmaceuticals for human use in Chile and deal with the demonstration of therapeutic equivalence.</i> | 30 days from notification |
| PHARMACEUTICS IN GENERAL | MEXICO | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/MEX/475 | Cannabis and its pharmacological derivatives <i>The notified legislation covers the sanitary regulation, control, promotion and surveillance of raw materials, molecular complexes, pharmacological derivatives and medicines for production, scientific, industrial and medical purposes.</i> | 60 days from notification |
| INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | | | | | |
| INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) IN GENERAL | UNITED KINGDOM | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/GBR/36/Corr.1 | Cyber security of Consumer Internet of Things (IoT) - Corrigendum <i>Item 5 of the notification should read as follows: Proposal for Cyber Security of Consumer IoT Devices</i> | — |
| MINING AND MINERALS | | | | | |
| MINING AND MINERALS | DENMARK | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/DNK/99 | Importing conflict minerals : tin, tantalum, tungsten and their ores, as well as gold ori[...]nflct areas and high risk area <i>The executive order contains provisions on requirements for companies when importing conflict minerals into the EU.</i> | 60 days from notification |

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| PAINT AND COLOUR INDUSTRIES | | | | | |
| PAINTS AND VARNISHES | ARGENTINA | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/ARG/166/Add.14 | Latex paints - Addendum <i>The purpose of this addendum is to announce the modification, by means of the Decision (Resolución) ICS n ° 253/2020, of Annex I of Decision (Resolución) ICS n ° 453/2010 and of Annex I of ICS Decision (Resolución) No 685/2015.</i> | — |
| ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING | | | | | |
| TRUCKS AND TRAILERS | BRAZIL | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/BRA/1064/Add.1 | Tanks (reservoirs) of the flat type tank vessels with or without propulsion used for stora[...]of products in bulk - Addendum <i>This addendum aims to inform that the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - Inmetro, issued that Public Consultation 14, 06 August 2020, that amends the Inmetro Ordinance No. 400, of 21 August 2018.</i> | — |
| MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS | ECUADOR | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/ECU/177/Add.9 | Motorcycles - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador advises that Amendment No. 4 to Ecuadorian Technical Regulation (RTE INEN) No. 136 (1R) "Motorcycles" has been issued pursuant to Resolution MPCEIP-SC-2020-0242-R of 5 September 2020.</i> | — |
| RUBBER AND PLASTIC INDUSTRIES | | | | | |
| ROAD VEHICLE TYRES | DOMINICA | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/DMA/17 | Tyres primarily intended for passenger cars <i>This part of ISO 4000 specifies the designation, dimensions and load ratings of metric-series tyres primarily intended for passenger cars.</i> | 31 October 2020 |
| ROAD VEHICLE TYRES | DOMINICA | 08/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/DMA/18 | Tyres primarily intended for trucks and buses <i>This part of ISO 4209 specifies the designation, dimensions and load ratings of the metric series of tyres primarily intended for trucks and buses.</i> | 31 October 2020 |
| ROAD VEHICLE TYRES | GRENADA | 09/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/GRD/30 | Pneumatic tyres for highway commercial vehicles <i>This is a reconfirmation of GDS 48 1998 - Specification for Pneumatic Tyres for Highway Commercial Vehicles.</i> | 29 November 2020 |

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| TELECOMMUNICATIONS. AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING | | | | | |
| RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS | MEXICO | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/MEX/474 | Transmitter equipment used in specialized fleet radiocommunication mobile services <i>The notified draft Mexican Official Standard establishes the technical specifications and corresponding test methods for radiocommunications equipment</i> | 11 September 2020 |
| | BRAZIL | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/BRA/1077/Add.1 | Tacit approval for the public acts of release of Inmetro's responsibility - Addendum <i>This addendum aims to inform that the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - Inmetro, issued Inmetro Ordinance 269, 11 August 2020, that amends the Inmetro Ordinance 35, 29 January 2020, published in the Federal Official Gazette on 31 January 2020, section 1, page 94 that establish the deadlines for the purposes of tacit approval for the public acts of release of responsibility of Inmetro.</i> | — |
| | BRAZIL | 07/09/2020 | G/TBT/N/BRA/1077/Add.2 | Tacit approval for the public acts of release of Inmetro's responsibility - Addendum <i>This addendum aims to inform that the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - Inmetro, issued that Inmetro Ordinance 282, 26 August 2020, that establish the risk classification of economic activities associated with the acts of release under the responsibility of Inmetro in the scope of the Compulsory Conformity Assessment, revoking provisions to the contrary, as provided in the Inmetro Ordinance No. 35, 29 January 2020, that establish the deadlines for the purposes of tacit approval for the public acts of release of responsibility of Inmetro.</i> | — |