



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 44 notifications on Agriculture, Environment, Health Protection, Safety, Food Technology, Health Care Technology, Paint and Colour Industries, etc., from Brazil, European Union, Philippines, Thailand, 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 (30 January - 05 February 2021)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND BREEDING	BRAZIL	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1133	<p><i>Premises and equipment for settlement and operation of poultry farms and for eggs and derivatives processing units</i></p> <p>Ordinance No. 202, 26 January 2021, opens a 45-day period for comments on a draft of a Technical Regulation that establish the minimum requirements for premises and equipment for settlement and operation of poultry farms and for eggs and derivatives processing units.</p>	12 March 2021

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PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/EU/776	<p><i>Pesticides - Residues</i></p> <p>This draft Commission Delegated Regulation aims at aligning the definition of "pesticide residues" laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/128 with the more precise definition provided for in Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides to ensure legal certainty and clarity.</p>	60 days from notification
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FERTILIZERS	EUROPEAN UNION	04/02/2021	G/TBT/N/EU/779	<p><i>Fertilising products</i></p> <p>Regulation (EU) 2019/1009 on fertilising products was adopted in June 2019 and will start applying as of 16 July 2022.</p>	60 days from notification
CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY					
COSMETICS. TOILETRIES	UKRAINE	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/UKR/145/Add.2	<p>Cosmetic products - Addendum</p> <p>Ukraine informs that the draft Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine "On Approval of the Technical regulation on cosmetic products" (G/TBT/N/UKR/145) was adopted on 20 January, 2021 (Resolution No. 65) and will enter into force on 3 August, 2022.</p>	-
CLOTHING INDUSTRY					
FOOTWEAR	ARGENTINA	02/02/2021	G/TBT/N/ARG/338/Add.2	<p>Footwear - Addendum</p> <p>The notified draft Resolution amends Articles 3, 6, 13 and 14 of SC Resolution No. 465/2018, which was notified in document G/TBT/N/ARG/338/Add.1 , and incorporates customs control requirements into Article 5 in order to formalize clearance.</p>	-

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DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT. ENTERTAINMENT. SPORTS					
COOKWARE, CUTLERY AND FLATWARE	ECUADOR	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/ECU/405/Add.1	Household pressure cookers - Addendum Entry into force of the notified measure - date: July 20, 2021	-
BODY CARE EQUIPMENT	ECUADOR	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/ECU/485/Rev.1	Hair and skin care devices - Revision This Ecuadorian technical regulation establishes the requirements that must be met by electrical, domestic appliances intended for skin care or hair of people or animals, prior to the marketing of products national and imported.	-
DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES IN GENERAL	PARAGUAY	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/PRY/125	Household and similar appliances It is convenient to develop technical specifications that ensure compliance with the MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on "Requirements Safety Essentials for Low Voltage Electrical Products".	60 days from notification
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
ROTATING MACHINERY	UNITED STATES	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/USA/1481/Add.3	Small electric motors and electric motors - Addendum This document delays the effective date of a recently published final rule amending the test procedures for small electric motors and electric motors. DOE also seeks comment on any further delay of the effective date, including the impacts of such delay, as well comment on the legal, factual, or policy issues raised by the rule.	-
ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING					
SOLAR ENERGY ENGINEERING	ARGENTINA	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/ARG/337/Add.4	Solar collectors and compact solar systems - Addendum Entry into force of the notified measure - date: February 5, 2021	
NUCLEAR ENERGY ENGINEERING	UNITED STATES	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/USA/1696	Nuclear power plant engineering The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is proposing to amend its regulations to incorporate by reference proposed revisions of three regulatory guides, which would approve new, revised, and reaffirmed Code Cases published by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.	5 April 2021

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ENVIRONMENT. HEALTH PROTECTION. SAFETY					
FIRE-FIGHTING	EGYPT	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/EGY/3/Add.40	<i>Chemical, textile and engineering products - Addendum</i> This draft specifies the principal requirements intended to ensure the safety, reliability of portable fire extinguishers	-
PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT IN GENERAL	ESPAÑA	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/ESP/44	<i>Hygienic masks</i> Definition of the concepts of a hygienic mask (or face covering Community), accessory, filter and responsible economic operator	-
WASTES IN GENERAL	EUROPEAN UNION	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/EU/778	<i>Waste</i> Article 9(1)(i) of the WFD, which became applicable on 5 January 2021 and mandates EU Member States to take measures to: ". ensure that any supplier of an article as defined in point 33 of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council [REACH] provides the information pursuant to Article 33(1) of that Regulation to the European Chemicals Agency as from 5 January 2021"	-
ACCIDENT AND DISASTER CONTROL	UNITED STATES	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/USA/1678/Add.1	<i>Traffic control devices used on all public roads - Addendum</i> Comment period changed - date: 14 May 2021	-
FOOD TECHNOLOGY					
MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS	CHILE	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/CHL/544/Add.1	<i>Meat of bovine animals - Addendum</i> Comment period changed - date: 1 March 2021	-
VEGETABLES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	ECUADOR	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/ECU/391/Add.1	<i>Sauces, dressings and vinegars - Addendum</i> Entry into force of the notified measure - date: June 28, 2021	-
CEREALS, PULSES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	ECUADOR	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/ECU/395/Add.1	<i>Biscuits - Addendum</i> Entry into force of the notified measure - date: June 28, 2021	-

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FRUITS AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	PARAGUAY	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/PRY/121	<i>Strawberries</i> The notified Technical Regulation lays down the identity and quality requirements to be met by strawberries in natura after preparation and packaging.	60 days from notification
SPICES AND CONDIMENTS	PARAGUAY	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/PRY/122	<i>Peppers</i> The notified Technical Regulation lays down the identity and quality requirements to be met by peppers in natura after preparation and packaging.	60 days from notification
PREPACKAGED AND PREPARED FOODS	PARAGUAY	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/PRY/123	<i>Pre-measured or pre-packaged products</i> The notified Technical Regulation establishes the metrological requirements and the sampling plans for the verification of the content of pre-measured or pre-packaged products with equal nominal content, expressed in units of length or number of units.	60 days from notification
FOOD ADDITIVES	PARAGUAY	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/PRY/124	<i>Food additives</i> There is a need to update the food additives and their maximum concentration levels for food categories 5 (jams) and 6 (cereals and cereal and/or cereal-based products) .	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TAJIKISTAN	02/02/2021	G/TBT/N/TJK/9	<i>Alcohol products safety</i> Developed in accordance with the law of the Republic of Tajikistan "On technical regulation" in order to regulate the quality and safety standards of alcoholic beverages in the production, import, export and circulation of alcoholic beverages in the territory of the republic.	2 April 2021
GLASS AND CERAMICS INDUSTRIES					
GLASS PRODUCTS	BRAZIL	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1134	<i>Automotive safety glasses</i> Ordinance Inmetro N° 34 of 02 February 2021 consolidates The Technical Quality Regulations and Conformity Assessment Requirements for Automotive Safety Glasses.	-
CERAMICS	PHILIPPINES	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/PHL/225/Add.1	<i>Ceramic tiles - Addendum</i> Notified measure enters into force - date: 13 January 2021.	-

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HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
PHARMACEUTICS	BRAZIL	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1032/Add.1	Medicinal products and active pharmaceutical ingredients, due to the international public coronavirus (COVID-19) - Addendum Notified measure enters into force - date: 23 January 2021.	-
PHARMACEUTICS	BRAZIL	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1058/Add.1	Pharmaceutical products - Addendum Notified measure enters into force - date: 28 January 2021.	-
VETERINARY MEDICINE	BRAZIL	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1132	Veterinary products The notified Ordinance No. 200, 22 January 2021, establishes procedures for the adequacy of registration of veterinary products when the Maximum Residue Limit - MRL changes.	-
METALLURGY					
FLAT STEEL PRODUCTS AND SEMI-PRODUCTS	PHILIPPINES	03/02/2021	G/TBT/N/PHL/223/Add.1	Hot-dip metallic-coated and pre-painted galvanized steel sheets for roofing - Addendum Notified measure enters into force - date: 15 January 2021	-
PAINT AND COLOUR INDUSTRIES					
PIGMENTS AND EXTENDERS	THAILAND	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/590	Synthetic dyestuffs : direct dye The draft ministerial regulation mandates synthetic dyestuffs: direct dye to conform with the standard for Synthetic Dyestuffs: Direct Dye (TIS 739-25XX(20XX)) .	60 days from notification
PIGMENTS AND EXTENDERS	THAILAND	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/591	Synthetic dyestuffs : reactive dye The draft ministerial regulation mandates synthetic dyestuffs: reactive dye to conform with the standard for Synthetic Dyestuffs: Reactive Dye (TIS 740-25XX(20XX)) .	60 days from notification
PIGMENTS AND EXTENDERS	THAILAND	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/592	Synthetic dyestuffs : vat dye The draft ministerial regulation mandates synthetic dyestuffs: vat dye to conform with the standard for Synthetic Dyestuffs: Vat Dye (TIS 760-25XX(20XX)) .	60 days from notification

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PIGMENTS AND EXTENDERS	THAILAND	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/593	<i>Synthetic dyestuffs : sulphur dye</i> The draft ministerial regulation mandates synthetic dyestuffs: sulphur dye to conform with the standard for Synthetic Dyestuffs: Sulphur Dye (TIS 2344-25XX(20XX)) .	60 days from notification
PIGMENTS AND EXTENDERS	THAILAND	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/THA/594	<i>Synthetic dyestuffs : acid dye</i> The draft ministerial regulation mandates synthetic dyestuffs: acid dye to conform with the standard for Synthetic Dyestuffs: Acid Dye (TIS 2532-25XX(20XX)) .	60 days from notification
PAINTS AND VARNISHES	TAJIKISTAN	02/02/2021	G/TBT/N/TJK/8	<i>Safety of paintwork materials</i> Developed in accordance with the law of the Republic of Tajikistan "On technical regulation" in order to define single requirements for labeling, packaging and free circulation of paints on the territory of the Republic of Tajikistan.	2 April 2021
PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES					
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND NATURAL GAS HANDLING EQUIPMENT	CHILE	02/02/2021	G/TBT/N/CHL/548	<i>Natural gas fuelling stations - CNG stations for fuelling vehicles</i> Proposed formalization of Chilean Standard (NCh ISO) No. 16.923:2017, approved by the National Standardization Institute.	30 days from notification
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND NATURAL GAS HANDLING EQUIPMENT	CHILE	02/02/2021	G/TBT/N/CHL/549	<i>Natural gas fuelling stations - LNG stations for fuelling vehicles</i> Proposed formalization of Chilean Standard (NCh ISO) No. 16.924:2017, approved by the National Standardization Institute.	30 days from notification
FUELS	TAJIKISTAN	02/02/2021	G/TBT/N/TJK/7	<i>Gasoline, diesel fuel, fuel oil and fuel for jet engines</i> Amendments are aimed at harmonizing these technical regulations with the normative-technical documents of the CIS countries and promote gasoline imports and diesel fuel.	60 days from notification

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ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
ROAD VEHICLE SYSTEMS	UNITED STATES	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/USA/1675/Add.1	<p><i>Framework for automated driving system (ADS) safety - Addendum</i></p> <p>Comment period changed - date: 1 April 2021</p>	-
SHIPBUILDING AND MARINE STRUCTURES					
SHIPBUILDING AND MARINE STRUCTURES IN GENERAL	UKRAINE	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/UKR/178	<p><i>Marine equipment intended for installation on board ship</i></p> <p>The draft Technical regulation defines a set of requirements and uniform procedures for certification of marine equipment, as well as provides for the introduction of a special wheel mark to indicate that the equipment with such mark meets the requirements outlined in relevant international conventions and documents in force.</p>	60 days from notification
TELECOMMUNICATIONS. AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS	JAPAN	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/JPN/688	<p><i>Ultra wide band (UWB) radio system</i></p> <p>To amend the regulations for the above system.</p>	60 days from notification
TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN GENERAL	MEXICO	01/02/2021	G/TBT/N/MEX/491	<p><i>Telecommunications products, equipment, devices and appliances that may be connected to a[...]k and/or use the radio spectrum</i></p> <p>The notified Technical Provision establishes the technical specifications for compliance with the maximum levels of non-ionizing radioelectric emissions of telecommunications products, equipment, devices and appliances that may be connected to a telecommunications network</p>	60 days from notification
(NO TITLE)					
NO TITLE	BRAZIL	05/02/2021	G/TBT/N/BRA/1077/Add.5	<p><i>Tacit approval for the public acts of release of Inmetro's responsibility - Addendum</i></p> <p>Notified measure enters into force - date: 1 March 2021</p>	-