



**IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
AGREEMENT ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE**

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES**

*Revision*

The following communication under Article 15.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade has been received from the delegation of the United Arab Emirates.

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**1 RELEVANT UAE LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

- UAE Federal Law No. 16 for the year 2020, Amending certain provisions of Federal Law No. 1 of 1972 Concerning the mandates of ministries and powers of ministers.
- UAE Federal Law No. 20 for the year 2020, concerning the standardization & Metrology

**2 TRANSPARENCY**

**2.1 PUBLICATIONS**

1. According to the above-mentioned legislation, the framework and the responsibility of Ministry of industry & advanced technology (MOIAT) is established and all issues related to standardization and metrology' responsibility of ESMA as standards body of UAE is moved to MOIAT.
2. The Law 20 of 2020 is sets out the framework and the responsibility of MOIAT for all issues related to standardization and metrology, the process for accreditation and standardization are based on the International best practices, like (ISO/IEC 17011), and ISO Directives 1 & 2.
3. MOIAT as National standard body of UAE (UAE NSB) provides registration of the UAE standards in the official registry. All adopted UAE standards are available on the website of MOIAT ([www.moiat.gov.ae](http://www.moiat.gov.ae)). All publications of the UAE/ standards are available for all interested parties.
4. Technical regulations adopted only by the Cabinet resolution, by the order of the Minister of MOIAT. All adopted technical regulations available on the official website of MOIAT ([www.moiat.gov.ae](http://www.moiat.gov.ae)).
5. Information on all technical regulations and adoption of UAE Standards is published in the Official Gazette of the Government of the UAE which can be obtained from the TBT Enquiry Point. Such documents and the draft standards, technical regulations, and conformity assessment procedures will also be notified to the WTO according to WTO requirements.
6. MOIAT currently work on formulating a new system to enhance the engagement of private sector in standards development.
7. MOIAT confirms acceptance of the Code of Good Practice for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards as it notified on 2 May 2006 in document [G/TBT/CS/N/166](#).

## 2.2 ENQUIRY POINT

8. According to the Law No. 16/2020 - TBT National Enquiry Point responsibility moved to Ministry of Industry & advanced technology (MOIAT) - below are the updated contact details of the UAE TBT Enquiry Point.

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