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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

## **NOTIFICATION**

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: ISRAEL

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible: Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point

Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

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- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Pasta (HS: 1902; ICS: 67.060)
- 5. **Title**, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: SI 262 Pasta (12 pages, in Hebrew)
- **6. Description of content:** Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 262, dealing with pasta. This draft standard is based on the Italian Standard Presidential Decree N° 187, dated 9 February 2001 for the requirements of pasta made of whole durum wheat, but as opposed to the Italian Standard, the Israeli Standards allows producing pasta not only from 100% durum wheat.

Both the old standard and the new revised standard will apply for a period of 12 months from publication in Israel Official Gazette. During this time pasta products could be tested according to the old or the new standard. The labelling requirements should enter into force 2 years after publication in Israel's Official Gazette.

- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety
- 8. Relevant documents: Israel Mandatory Standard SI 262 (May 2003)
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined

**Proposed date of entry into force:** Generally 60 days after publication in Israel Official Gazette, Section of Government Notices. Both the old standard and the new revised standard will apply for a period of 12 months from publication in Israel Official Gazette. During this time pasta products could be tested according to the old or the new standard. The labelling requirements should enter into force 2 years after publication in Israel's Official Gazette.

- **10**. **Final date for comments**: 60 days from notification
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

http://www.economy.gov.il/standartization/WTO\_TBT/ISR\_Text/SI262\_Jan15.pdf