



NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), Ministry of Industry 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: WTO/TBT Enquiry Point and Notification Authority Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), Ministry of Industry Tel.: (662) 202 3504, 202 3523 Fax: (662) 202 3511, 354 3041 E-mail: thaitbt@tisi.mail.go.th Website: http://www.tisi.go.th
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): Plastic bags for food
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Ministerial Regulation on Plastic Bags for Food (TIS 1027-2564(2021)) (17 page(s), in Thai)
6. Description of content: The draft ministerial regulation mandates plastic bags for food to conform with the standard for Plastic Bags for Food (TIS 1027-2564(2021)). This standard covers plastic bags for food made of virgin resin. It classifies plastic bags by the application into 3 types, i.e. for hot, cold and frozen food. It also specifies shapes, width, length, thickness. This standard prescribes requirements for appearance, tensile strength, elongation, temperature resistance, seam strength, leakage, safety requirements (e.g. overall migration and specific migration, substances in material, etc.). It also includes packaging, marking, labelling, sampling and criteria for conformity and testing.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety

8. Relevant documents:

- JIS Z 1702:1994 (Reaffirmed 2017) Polyethylene films for packaging
- JIS Z 1707:2019 General rules of plastic films for food packaging
- JIS Z 1711:1994 (Reaffirmed 2020) Polyethylene films bags
- ASTM D 882-18 Standard Test Method for Tensile Properties of Thin Plastic Sheeting
- TIS 619-2519 : Pressure sensitive adhesive crepe masking tapes
- TIS 656-2556 : Analytical methods for food contact plastics
- TIS 1310-2538 : Symbols for recycling plastics
- Notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No. 295) B.E. 2548 (2005) Re: Qualities or standard for container made from plastic

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

10. Final date for comments: 15 July 2021

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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