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Notification under Article 5.1 to 5.4 of the Agreement[[1]](#footnote-1)

Philippines

The following notification, originally received on 3 November 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the Philippines.

|  | **Category** | **Notification details** |
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| **1** | **Notifying Member** | Philippines |
| **2** | **Title of new legislation/procedure** | DTI Department Administrative Order No. 20-06:2020 - The New Technical Regulation Concerning the Mandatory Product Certification of Plywood. |
| **3** | **Date of Publication** | 1. 15 October 20202. 29 October 2020 |
| **4** | **Date of entry into force** | 14 August 2021  |
| **5** | **Website link/Official publication of the new regulation/procedure** | <https://bps.dti.gov.ph/index.php/component/edocman/868-department-administrative-order-dao-no-20-06-series-of-2020/download?Itemid=>1. Business World; Business Mirror2. Business World; The Daily Tribune |
| **6** | **Have you attached a copy of the regulation (PDF) to the Secretariat** | [X] Yes. (*Please attach a copy of the regulation to the notification.*)[ ] No. |
| **7** | **Type of notification** | [X] (a) New licensing regulation/procedure[[2]](#footnote-2); (please answer question 8 to 14)[ ] (b) Changes to a regulation/procedure which has been previously notified in document: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ; (*please answer question 15 and 16*) |
| **8** | **List of products subject to licensing** | Plywood 4412; 441231; 441233; 441299 |
| **9** | **Nature of licensing** | Automatic: [ ]Non-Automatic: [X] |
| **10** | **Administrative purpose/measure being implemented** | (a) | [ ]  | Protect public morals; |
| (b) | [x]   | Protect human, animal or plant life and health; protect environment; |
| (c) | [ ]  | Collect trade statistics or market surveillance; |
| (d) | [ ]  | Protection of patents, trademarks and copyrights, and the prevention of deceptive practices; |
| (e) | [ ]  | Pursue obligations under the UN Charter and other international treaties (*i.e. CITES, Basel Convention, Rotterdam Convention, UNSC Resolutions etc.)* |
| (f) | [ ]  | Quota (including TRQ) administration; |
| (g) | [ ]  | Regulate imports of arms, ammunition or fissionable materials and safeguard national security; |
| (h) | [ ]  | Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(please specify)* |
| **11** | **Administrative body(ies) for submission of applications** | Ministry/authority and Department: Bureau of Philippine Standards Department of Trade and Industry Address: 361 Sen Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City Website: [www.bps.dti.gov.ph](http://www.bps.dti.gov.ph); [www.dti.gov.ph](http://www.dti.gov.ph) Telephone: 791.3124/791.3130 E-Mail: bps@dti.gov.ph  |
| **12** | **Contact point for information on eligibility** | Ministry/authority and Department: Bureau of Philippine Standards Department of Trade and Industry Address: 361 Sen Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City Website: [www.bps.dti.gov.ph](http://www.bps.dti.gov.ph); [www.dti.gov.ph](http://www.dti.gov.ph) Telephone: 791.3124/791.3130 E-Mail: bps@dti.gov.ph  |
| **13** | **Expected duration of licensing procedure** | Ongoing |
| **14** | **A summary of the notification in one of the WTO official languages**  | Provides guidelines for the implementation of mandatory product certification of plywood.  |
| **15** | **In the case of 7(b), please indicate the type of new change(s)** |

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| **(a)** | [ ]  | **Termination** |
| **(b)** | [ ]  | **Suspension** |
| **(c)** | [ ]  | **Modification of specific details in existing** **procedures:** |
| [ ]  | Product coverage; |
| [ ]  | Administrative purpose; |
| [ ]  | Automatic or Non-automatic; |
| [ ]  | Duration of licensing; |
| [ ]  | Change the nature of quantity/value restriction; |
| [ ]  | Eligibility of applicants; |
| [ ]  | Contact information on eligibility; |
| [ ]  | Administrative body(ies) for submission of application; |
| [ ]  | Documentation requirements (including application form); |
| [ ]  | Period for Application; |
| [ ]  | Administrative body(ies) to issue licence; |
| [ ]  | Processing time for issuing licence; |
| [ ]  | Licence fee/administrative charge; |
| [ ]  | Deposit/advance payment and relevant conditions; |
| [ ]  | Appeal regulations/procedures; |
| [ ]  | Validity of licence; |
| [ ]  | Other conditions of licence (extension, transferability, penalty of non-use etc.); |
| [ ]  | Foreign exchange requirements; |
| [ ]  | Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (please specify). |

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| **16**  | **Please elaborate the changes in detail (in one of the WTO official languages)** |  |

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1. It is understood that the notifying Member has also completed its notification obligations under Article 1.4(a) and Article 8.2(b) regarding the relevant law/regulation/procedure notified for by filling this form in a full and complete manner. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. "New licensing regulation/procedure" is understood to refer to any newly introduced law, regulation or procedure, and those which are in force but being notified for the first time to the Committee. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)