

**GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

RESTRICTED
TBT/Notif.94.453
24 November 1994
Special Distribution

(94-2527)

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>MEXICO</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Trade and Industrial Development
3.	Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Electrical products
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Draft Mexican Official Standard NOM-058-SCFI-1994, Electrical Products - Safety Requirements for Ballasts for High-Intensity and Florescent Discharge Lamps.
6.	<p>Description of content: This Mexican Official Standard establishes the safety requirements to be satisfied by ballasts using mains electricity or other sources of power such as batteries, accumulators, etc., in order to eliminate the following risks to the safety of users and their property:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Electrical discharges caused by electric current leaks or discharges between ballasts and the human body.2. Human body burns caused by accidents or deliberate contact with overheated accessible parts. <p>Each safety requirement defines the limits and testing methods for the lamps in such a way that the present Standard constitutes a single set of generally accepted criteria which may be used by designers, manufacturers, buyers, sellers, importers, users and competent authorities to incorporate, require and evaluate safety with certain and constant results.</p>
7.	Objective and rationale: Safety
8.	Relevant documents: Diario Oficial (Official Journal) of 22 September 1994

9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Day following final publication in Diario Oficial
10.	Final date for comments: 21 December 1994.
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: