NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** ECUADOR  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  *Servicio Ecuatoriano de Normalización*, INEN (Ecuadorian Standardization Service)  Calle Baquerizo Moreno E8-29 y Diego de Almagro  Tel.: (+593-2) 3825960 to 90  Website: [www.normalizacion.gob.ec](http://www.normalizacion.gob.ec/)  **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:**  *Subsecretaría de Calidad* (Under-Secretariat for Quality)  *Ministerio de Producción, Comercio Exterior, Inversiones y Pesca*, MPCEIP (Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries)  Address: Av. Amazonas entre Unión Nacional de Periodistas y Alfonso Pereira, Piso 8, Bloque amarillo  Tel.: (+593-2) 3948760, Ext. 2254 - 2272  Email:  [puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec); [puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com](mailto:puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com);  [aramon@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:aramon@produccion.gob.ec); [cyepez@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:cyepez@produccion.gob.ec); [jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec)  Website: [www.industrias.gob.ec](http://www.industrias.gob.ec/) |
| **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):** Roofing tiles (HS 690510) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** *Proyecto de Primera Revisión del Reglamento Técnico Ecuatoriano PRTE INEN 249 (1R) "Tejas Cerámicas"* (Draft first revision (1R) of Ecuadorian Technical Regulation PRTE INEN No. 249 "Ceramic roofing tiles") (9 pages, in Spanish) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The notified Ecuadorian Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by ceramic roofing tiles, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human safety and preventing deceptive practices.  It applies to ceramic tiles used for roofs and walls.  It does not apply to:   * Tiles made with silica-lime materials; * Clay roofing fittings. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety. |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**  Normative references:   1. ISO/IEC 17025:2017, General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories; 2. ISO/IEC 17050-1:2004, Conformity assessment - Supplier's declaration of conformity - Part 1: General requirements; 3. ISO/IEC 17067:2013, Conformity assessment - Fundamentals of product certification and guidelines for product certification schemes; 4. EN 539-1:2007, Clay roofing tiles for discontinuous laying - Determination of physical characteristics - Part 1: Impermeability test; 5. EN 1304:2014, Clay roofing tiles and fittings - Product definitions and specifications; 6. Ecuadorian Technical Standard *NTE INEN 988:1982, Tejas cerámicas. Determinación de la resistencia a la flexión*; 7. Ecuadorian Technical Standard *NTE INEN 989:1982, Tejas cerámicas. Determinación de la absorción de agua*; 8. Ecuadorian Technical Standard *NTE INEN 990:1982, Tejas cerámicas. Requisitos*.   Notification history:   1. G/TBT/N/ECU/277 2. G/TBT/N/ECU/277/Add.1 |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 60 days from notification or thereafter  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 180 days from the date of adoption |
| **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:**  Contact and/or National Enquiry Point:  *Subsecretaría de Calidad* (Under-Secretariat for Quality)  *Ministerio de Producción, Comercio Exterior, Inversiones y Pesca*, MPCEIP (Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries)  Address: Av. Amazonas entre Unión Nacional de Periodistas y Alfonso Pereira, Piso 8, Bloque amarillo  Tel.: (+593-2) 3948760, Ext. 2254 - 2272  Email:  [puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec); [puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com](mailto:puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com);  [aramon@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:aramon@produccion.gob.ec); [cyepez@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:cyepez@produccion.gob.ec); [jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec](mailto:jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec)  [www.normalizacion.gob.ec](http://www.normalizacion.gob.ec/)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/TBT/ECU/19_3212_00_s.pdf> |