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Rwanda Bureau of Standards (RBS) has been designated as World Trade Organization/Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO/TBT) National Enquiry Point (NEP) in accordance to TBT agreement.

Countries that have ratified the WTO/TBT Agreement have an obligation of submitting information on their proposed standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures that could affect trade to the WTO secretariat in Geneva.

The National Enquiry Point at RBS has the responsibility among others of downloading foreign notifications from the WTO website on daily basis and disseminating them to Rwandan Stakeholders, importers, exporters and other interested parties **for information, review and comments**. These notifications are summarized and classified according to their broad subject areas; in a monthly bulletin. This later is posted regularly on the RBS website and sent directly to relevant stakeholders.

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S/N	Date of issue	Notification reference	Product covered	Country notifying	Title of regulation notified	Deadline for submission of comments
<b>Food Technology</b>						
1	17 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/ARE/89</b>	Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs	<u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u>	UAE GCC Draft Technical Regulation for General Requirements for the materials and articles intended to come into contact with food	60 days from the date of notification.
2	17 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/ARE/90</b>	Canned Pineapple	<u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u>	UAE GCC Draft Technical Regulation for Canned Pineapple	60 days from the date of notification.
3	17 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/ARE/91</b>	Quick Frozen Cauliflower	<u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u>	UAE GCC Draft Technical Regulation for Quick Frozen Cauliflower	60 days from the date of notification
4	17 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/BHR/252</b>	Canned Pineapple	<u>BAHRAIN</u>	Canned Pineapple	60 days from the notification date
5	17 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/QAT/254</b>	Honey for Food Industrial Uses "Baker's Honey"	<u>QATAR</u>	Honey for Food Industrial Uses "Baker's Honey"	60 days after the date of distribution <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2011/tbt/QAT/11_3745_00_e.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2011/tbt/QAT/11_3745_00_e.pdf</a>
6	17 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/QAT/256</b>	Snacks	<u>QATAR</u>	Snacks	60 days after the date of distribution <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2011/tbt/QAT/11_3747_00_e.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2011/tbt/QAT/11_3747_00_e.pdf</a>

7	17 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/USA/ 654</b>	Wine labelling	<u>UNITED STATES</u>	Proposed Revision to Vintage Date Requirements	3 January 2012 <a href="http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-11-04/pdf/2011-28645.pdf">http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-11-04/pdf/2011-28645.pdf</a>
8	25 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/TZA/ 39</b>	Edible sunflower seed oil	<u>TANZANIA</u>	Edible sunflower seed oil - Specification - Specification	60 days from the date of circulation.
9	25 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/TZA/ 40</b>	Raw cane sugar	<u>TANZANIA</u>	TZS 88:2011 Raw cane sugar - Specification	60 days from the date of circulation
10	25 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/TZA/ 41</b>	Plantation (mill) white sugar	<u>TANZANIA</u>	TZS 100:2011 Plantation (mill) white sugar - Specification,	60 days from the date of circulation.
11	25 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/TZA/ 42</b>	Refined sugar	<u>TANZANIA</u>	TZS101: 2011 Refined sugar-Specification - Specification	60 days from the date of circulation
12	25 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/TZA/ 43</b>	Brown sugar	<u>TANZANIA</u>	TZS 831:2011 Brown sugar - Specification	60 days from the date of circulation.
<b>Agriculture</b>						
13	25 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/TZA/ 37</b>	Four wheeled tractors	<u>TANZANIA</u>	Agricultural equipment – Four wheeled tractors - Specifications	60 days from the date of circulation.
14	25 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/TZA/ 38</b>	Disc plough,	<u>TANZANIA</u>	Agricultural equipment - Disc plough - Specifications	60 days from the date of circulation.
15	25 November 2011	<b>G/TBT/N/TZA/ 44</b>	Walking type agricultural tractors,	<u>TANZANIA</u>	TZS 1417:2011 – Agricultural equipment Walking type agricultural tractors - Specifications	60 days from the date of circulation.
16	21 November	<b>G/TBT/N/USA/</b>	Crops and livestock	<u>UNITED</u>	National Organic Program; Proposed Amendments to	9 January 2012

	2011	<b>657</b>		<u>STATES</u>	the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances	<a href="http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-11-08/pdf/2011-28800.pdf">http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-11-08/pdf/2011-28800.pdf</a>
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