NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** ISRAEL  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point  **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:**  Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point  Ministry of Economy and Industry  Tel: + (972) 3 7347501  E-mail: [Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il](mailto:Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il) |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****X],** **5.7.1 [****], 3.2 [****], 7.2 [****],** **other****:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** All products and commodities subject to Mandatory Standards |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Import and Export Decree (Import Groups), 5782-2022; (44 page(s), in Hebrew) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Minister of Economy and Industry had signed the Israel Import and Export Decree (Import Groups). This Decree replaces a previous publication as notified in G/TBT/N/ISR/1184, updates Israel's Import Groups Regime, and eases the conformity assessment requirements for imported products subject to Israel Mandatory Standards.  There are currently about 500 Mandatory Standards in Israel (excluding food) subject to this regulatory import regime. These standards are divided into four import groups according to the products' potential risk:  · Group 1 - Highest risk level: Requires type and shipment approvals;  · Group 2 - Intermediate risk level: Requires compliance with two conditions: Type approval and Importer's declaration of conformity for each shipment;  · Group 3 - Low level of danger: Requires only an importer's declaration of conformity for each shipment;  · Group 4 - Goods intended solely for industrial use: Requires prior exemption according to section (2)C(2) of the Free Import Decree.  The Decree was published and entered into force on 1 June 2022.  The commissioner of Standardization will publish an updated list of Mandatory Standards once a year, divided into the four Imports Groups. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * Import and Export Ordinance [New Version], 5769-1979; * Standards Law, 5733-1953 and all its amendments. |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 1 June 2022  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 1 June 2022 |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/TBT/ISR/22_4291_00_x.pdf> |