NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 2 September 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of New Zealand.

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**Title:** Proposed changes can be found in the following links:

* Smokefree Aotearoa 2025 Action Plan - Smokefree Aotearoa 2025 Action Plan - Auahi Kore Aotearoa Mahere Rautaki 2025 | Ministry of Health NZ; and
* Cabinet paper- Smokefree Aotearoa 2025 Action Plan approval, pages 5-6 -<https://www.health.govt.nz/system/files/documents/information-release/cabinet_paper_smokefree_action_plan_2025.pdf>

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| [X] | Other:  The Smokefree Environment and Regulated Products (Smoked Tobacco) Amendment Bill was published on 21 June 2022. The Bill provides additional details regarding New Zealand's proposed new requirements for smoked tobacco products that were notified to the TBT Committee in December 2021.  The Bill can be found on the New Zealand Parliament website: <https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/bills-and-laws/bills-proposed-laws/document/BILL_125245/smokefree-environments-and-regulated-products-smoked-tobacco> |

**Description:** The Smokefree Environment and Regulated Products (Smoked Tobacco) Amendment Bill was published on 21 June 2022. The Smoked Tobacco Bill gives effect to the key proposals listed under the Smokefree Aotearoa 2025 Action Plan.

The Smoked Tobacco Bill provides additional details regarding the proposed new requirements for smoked tobacco products that were previously notified to the TBT Committee in December 2021. Relevant legislative amendments include:

*Reducing the appeal and addictiveness of smoked tobacco products*: New provisions require that only smoked tobacco products that meet requirements for constituents will be able to be manufactured, imported, or offered for sale or supply, and provide that it will be an offence for any smoked tobacco product to contain constituents exceeding any limits prescribed in, or prohibited by, regulations. A specific provision provides for a regulation-making power to set limits on the quantity of nicotine levels and other constituents of smoked tobacco products.

The Smokefree Environment and Regulated Products (Smoked Tobacco) Amendment Bill can be found on the New Zealand Parliament website: <https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/bills-and-laws/bills-proposed-laws/document/BILL_125245/smokefree-environments-and-regulated-products-smoked-tobacco>

The Smoked Tobacco Bill is currently being considered by the Health Select Committee.

Comments on the Smoked Tobacco Bill can be sent to New Zealand's TBT Enquiry Point at [wto@standards.co.nz](mailto:wto@standards.co.nz).

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1. This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)