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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>ISRAEL</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point <b>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:</b>  Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point Ministry of Economy and Industry Tel: + (972) 3 7347501 E-mail: <a href="mailto:Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il">Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il</a>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Food in general; (ICS: 67.040)
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Protection of Public Health Regulations (Food) (Maximum levels of dioxin and PCBs compounds in foods) 5780-2020 (5 page(s), in Hebrew)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> New draft regulations announced by Israel's Ministry of Health called "Protection of Public Health Regulations (Food) (Maximum levels of dioxin and PCBs compounds in foods) 5780-2020", that will replace relevant similar guidelines. These regulations set the maximum levels of dioxin and dioxin-like PCBs compounds in foods according to the European Regulations and the WHO. The TEFs (Toxic Equivalency Factors) are detailed in Annex 1 regulations 2 and 4.  Compliance will be tested in an Israeli laboratory approved by the Ministry of Health or in an international laboratory specialized in these tests that complies with the requirements specified in the Protection of Public Health Act (Food).  The Public Health Protection Act (Food) stipulates that any directive and procedure instruction of The National Food Service, setting out safety and quality requirements for food, published on the website on the eve of the commencement of this Act shall continue to apply and be regarded as "Food Regulations" until regulations are enacted to replace them.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Protection of human health or safety; Harmonization

<b>8. Relevant documents:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Regulatory Impact Analysis (RIA);</li><li>• Protection of Public Health Law (Food) 5775-2015.</li></ul>
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> To be determined
<b>10. Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from notification
<b>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b>  Israel's WTO-TBT Enquiry Point <a href="mailto:Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il">Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/ISR/20_4526_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/ISR/20_4526_00_x.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/ISR/20_4526_01_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/ISR/20_4526_01_x.pdf</a>