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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

## **NOTIFICATION**

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU

If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection(BSMI) Ministry of Economic Affairs

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], Other:
- 4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Soother holders. (HS code(s): 3926)
- 5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Proposal for Legal Inspection Requirements for Soother Holders; (3 page(s), in English), (2 page(s), in Chinese)

Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/TPKM/25 08199 00 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/TPKM/25 08199 00 x.pdf

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- **Description of content:** BSMI's market surveillance has shown that 67% of randomly purchased units failed the physical performance tests. In response to public concerns over the safety risks posed by soother holders, including the potential for choking and strangulation that may endanger infants and children, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) intends to include these products within the scope of mandatory inspection to ensure their safety and quality.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements
- 8. Relevant documents:

Government Gazette, Vol. 031 No. 222, dated 25 November 2025

https://gazette.nat.gov.tw/egFront/e\_detail.do?metaid=161762

The Commodity Inspection Act

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: 1 July 2026

## 10. Provision of comments

Final date for comments: 26 January 2026

## [X] 60 days from notification

Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:

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