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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

1. Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 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): Bed guards for children (barriers or other devices designed to be attached to beds primarily in households to prevent infants up to 60 months after birth from falling), and strollers (small wheeled vehicles designed to be pushed while walking, primarily by families, to transport infants up to 36 months after birth), and riding helmets (limited to those intended for use by riders of motorcycles, limited to those with an engine displacement of 0.125 liters or less or a rated output of 1.00 kilowatt or less, or motorized bicycles)
5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Ministerial Order on Technical Requirements for Specified Products Concerning the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry; (2 page(s), in English) Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/JPN/26_00940_00_e.pdf Japan Enquiry Point International Trade Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: (+81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp
6. Description of content: In March 2026, the Order for Enforcement of the Consumer Product Safety Act("Cabinet Order") will be amended to newly designate bed guards for children and strollers as Specified Products and Specified Products for Children. Following this designation, Japan proposes to revise the <i>Ministerial Order on Technical Requirements for Specified Products Concerning the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry</i> to establish the relevant technical requirements, labelling methods, classifications for product notification, and required cautionary statements for these products. In addition, based on the latest revisions of JIS T 8133 for riding helmets, it will update the name of the JIS and adjust provisions related to vehicle classifications for motorized bicycles in accordance with Regulations for Enforcement of the Road Transport Vehicle Act 2024.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer information, labelling; Protection of human health or safety

8. Relevant documents:

The Ministerial Order on Technical Requirements for Specified Products Concerning the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

These revisions will appear in KAMPO (the Official Government Gazette) when adopted.

The current laws and regulations are as follows:

- Order for Enforcement of the Consumer Product Safety Act

<https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/4179>

- Ministerial Order on Technical Requirements for Specified Products Concerning the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

https://laws.e-gov.go.jp/law/349M50000400018/20251225_507M60000400006 (In Japanese)

Relevant notifications:

- [G/TBT/N/JPN/876](https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/4179)
- [G/TBT/N/JPN/834](https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/4179)
- [G/TBT/N/JPN/790](https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/4179)
- [G/TBT/N/JPN/790/Add.1](https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/4179)

9. Proposed date of adoption: April, 2026

Proposed date of entry into force: June, 2026

From the date of enforcement of the Cabinet Order, a transitional period of one year shall be provided for bed guards for children, and a transitional period of two years shall be provided for strollers.

10. Provision of comments

Final date for comments: 18 April 2026

[X] 60 days from notification

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

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