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 IndustryTel: + (972) 3 7347501 E-mail: Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [****], 5.6.2 [****], 5.7.1 [****], other:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Hermetically sealed and rigid metal packing for food products; (HS: 7310, 7612). (ICS: 55.120, 67.250, 77.150.10). |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** SI 136 part 1 - Hermetically sealed and rigid metal packing for food products: Packaging (7 pages in Hebrew and 84 pages in English); SI 136 part 2 - Hermetically sealed and rigid metal packing for food products: Coating and varnishes (4 pages in Hebrew and 164 pages in English); SI 136 part 3 - Hermetically sealed and rigid metal packing for food products: End and seaming dimensions (5 pages in Hebrew and 54 pages in English).   |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 136 part 1, dealing with metal packaging for food products, to be replaced with SI 136 parts 1, 2 and 3. Each draft standard's part adopts a different European Standard or document with a few changes that appear in the standard's Hebrew section, as follows:* SI 136 part 1 dealing with packaging allows for two routes of compliance. It adopts both the European Standard EN 10202: March 2001 + AC 1: October 2003 and a combination of 4 other European Standards - EN 601: April 2004, EN 602: April 2004, EN 14287: June 2004 and EN 14392: November 2007, and allows for compliance with either route;
* SI 136 part 2 dealing with coating and varnishes adopts in full the Swiss document 'Annex 6 of the Ordinance of the FDHA on articles and materials of 23 November 2005 (RS 817.023.21) - 4th edition: 1.12.2012';
* SI 136 part 3 dealing with end and seaming dimensions allows for two routes of compliance. It adopts in full both the document of SEFEL, the European Manufactures of light metal packaging, Recommendation SEFEL no. 1 for "Non‑Easy Open" steel ends, 1999 and the American Can Manufacturers Institute CMI document 'Voluntary Can and End Dimension Reference Manual, Revised 06/2004, and allows for compliance with either.

These new revised standards are significantly different from the old standard.Both the old standard and these new revised standards will apply for a period of 6 months from publication in Israel Official Gazette. During this time all 4 standards will apply together. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Protection of human health or safety |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** * Israel Mandatory Standard SI 136 part 1 (December 1985);
* European Standard EN 10202: March 2001 + AC 1: October 2003;
* European Standard EN 601: April 2004;
* European Standard EN 602: April 2004;
* European Standard EN 14287: June 2004;
* European Standard EN 14392: November 2007
* Swiss document: Annex 6 of the Ordinance of the FDHA on articles and materials of 23 November 2005 (RS 817.023.21) - 4th edition: 1.12.2012;
* European Manufactures of light metal packaging, Recommendation SEFEL no. 1 for "Non-Easy Open" steel ends, 1999;
* American Can Manufacturers Institute CMI document 'Voluntary Can and End Dimension Reference Manual, Revised 06/2004.
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| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined**Proposed date of entry into force:** Both the old standard and the new revised standards will apply for a period of 6 months from publication in Israel Official Gazette. During this time all 4 standards will apply together. |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:** <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/ISR/18_4087_00_x.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/ISR/18_4087_01_x.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/ISR/18_4087_02_x.pdf> |