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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: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u>

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

2. Agency responsible:

Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) [2168]

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:

Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: <a href="mailto:usatbtep@nist.gov">usatbtep@nist.gov</a>

- 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 or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Toys containing button cell or coin cell batteries; Quality (ICS code(s): 03.120); Domestic safety (ICS code(s): 13.120); Mechanical testing (ICS code(s): 19.060); Other cells and batteries (ICS code(s): 29.220.99); Toys (ICS code(s): 97.200.50)
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Safety Standard for Toys: Requirements for Toys Containing Button Cell or Coin Cell Batteries; (25 page(s), in English)
- Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) proposes to address the risk of injury and death associated with children ingesting button cell or coin cell batteries obtained from toys by adding performance and labeling requirements for battery-operated toys containing such batteries. The proposed requirements would provide the highest level of safety feasible, and are consistent with the Commission's recent Reese's Law rulemaking and international standards for electronic toys. The Commission also proposes to amend CPSC's list of notice of requirements (NORs) to include toys containing button cell or coin cell batteries.
- **7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements
- 8. Relevant documents:

89 Federal Register (FR) 65791, 13 August 2024; <u>Title 16</u> Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 1112 and 1250:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-08-13/html/2024-17472.htm https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-08-13/pdf/2024-17472.pdf

This notice of proposed rulemaking is identified by Docket Number CPSC-2024-0023. The

Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <a href="https://www.regulations.gov/docket/CPSC-2024-0023/document">https://www.regulations.gov/docket/CPSC-2024-0023/document</a> and provides access to primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from <a href="Regulations.gov">Regulations.gov</a> by searching the Docket Number. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders by <a href="4pm">4pm</a> Eastern Time</a> on 15 October 2024 will be shared with CPSC and will also be submitted to the <a href="Docket">Docket</a> on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.

<u>G/TBT/N/USA/1964 and subsequent addenda</u> - Safety Standard and Notification Requirements for Button Cell or Coin Batteries and Consumer Products Containing Such Batteries, <u>CPSC-2023-0004</u>

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

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

**10.** Final date for comments: 15 October 2024

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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