

CHAPTER 7
TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

Article 7.1: Definitions

For the purposes of this Chapter:

TBT Agreement means the *WTO Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade*; and

TBT Committee means the *WTO Committee on Technical Barriers and Trade*.

Article 7.2: WTO Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade

The TBT Agreement, excluding Articles 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.1, 14.4 and 15, is hereby incorporated into and made part of this Agreement, *mutatis mutandis*.

Article 7.3: Scope

1. This Chapter applies to the preparation, adoption, and application of standards, technical regulations, and conformity assessment procedures of national governmental bodies that may affect the trade in goods between the Parties.
2. This Chapter does not apply to:
 - (a) a purchasing specification prepared by a governmental body for production or consumption requirements of a governmental body; or
 - (b) a sanitary or phytosanitary measure as defined in Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

Article 7.4: Joint Cooperation

1. The Parties shall endeavour to strengthen their cooperation in the areas of standards, technical regulations, accreditation, conformity assessment procedures, and metrology in order to facilitate trade between the Parties.