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THE COTTON TEXTILES EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL
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Sub: - TBT notification issued by Kenya on cotton

Dear Member,

This has reference to TBT notification- G/TBT/N/KEN/782 dated 22nd January 2019, issued by the Kenya Bureau of Standards wherein Kenya has issued Code of Practice (CoP) for cotton industry. The products mentioned in the notification falls under the HS Code 52.

The brief of the regulation is given below:

This CoP specifies requirements and recommendations based on best practices for site selection, land preparation, production, harvesting and postharvest management, ginning, lint classing, spinning, seed milling, fabric and finished products manufacture, transportation and marketing of cotton (*Gossypium hirsutum*), see flow chart in Annex C.

The CoP requires that in conservation farming, herbicides recommended by Pest Control Products Board (PCPB) should be used. Where pre-emergence weed control is required, appropriate pre-emergence herbicide should be applied and records maintained.

For traceability, the farmer shall maintain a record of the source and variety of the seed. Records on the type of fertilizer applied shall be maintained. Records on pesticides and fungicides used and their dates of application shall also be maintained.

Where pesticides and fungicides are used, they shall be handled in a manner that ensures the safety of handlers and the environment as guided by Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) and Environmental Management and Coordination Act (EMCA).

Samples collection from other sources shall be taken in accordance to methods prescribed by ISO. Each lint sample delivered to the Authority shall not be less than 300 grams.

For more details, please refer to the TBT notification ([click here](#)) and regulation ([click here](#)) attached herewith.

Kindly forward your comments or suggestions to the Council at info@texprocil.org latest by 25th February 2019.

Regards,

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