



NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<p>1. Notifying Member: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</p>
<p>2. Agency responsible: The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) Ministry of Economic Affairs 4, Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 2343-4517 Fax: (886-2) 2392-2402 E-mail: cp.tsai@bsmi.gov.tw</p> <p>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:</p>
<p>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], other:</p>
<p>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Plywood (Refer to attachment) .</p>
<p>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (8 pages in Chinese, English translation available).</p>
<p>6. Description of content: Plywood, special plywood and structural plywood have been subject to mandatory inspection under the Commodity Inspection Act by the Bureau of Standards Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) since 1 July 2007. The current inspection standards CNS 1349 of plywood was promulgated on 2 October 2014, CNS 8058 of special plywood and CNS 11671 of structural plywood were promulgated on 17 November 2014. The BSMI will soon adopt the revised CNS 1349, CNS 8058 and CNS 11671 standard, which was promulgated on 1 January 2017.</p> <p>Plywood for concrete-form and scaffolding plywood have been subject to mandatory inspection under the Commodity Inspection Act by the BSMI since 1 December 2012. The current inspection standard CNS 8057 of plywood for concrete-form was promulgated on 5 October 2012, CNS 11670 of scaffolding plywood was promulgated on 2 October 2014. The main measure of revised CNS 8057 was added the requirements with formaldehyde emission in Article 4.5 and CNS 11670 was added the requirements with formaldehyde emission in Article 4.9. CNS 15583 of Plywood for pallet was promulgated on 8 October 2012, has the requirements with formaldehyde emission in Article 4.4. The BSMI intends to regulate formaldehyde of these products, and will soon adopt the revised CNS 8057, CNS 11670 standard and add CNS 15583, which was promulgated on 1 January 2017.</p> <p>Besides, the BSMI will revise the Description of Goods of plywood[see Products</p>

(HS/CCCN codes) covered and applicable inspection standards].	
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of consumers' safety.
8.	Relevant documents: The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 1349, CNS 8058, CNS 11671, CNS 8057, CNS 11670, CNS 15583.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined. Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 2017.
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from the date of notification
11.	Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: WTO/TBT Enquiry Point The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs 4, Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 2343-1801 Fax: (886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: tbteng@bsmi.gov.tw

Proposal for Amendment to Legal Inspection of Plywood

By the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI), Ministry of Economic Affairs

Background:

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Besides, the BSMI will revise the Description of Goods of plywood.

Proposed date of implementation: To be determined

Products (HS/CCCN codes) covered and their applicable inspection standards:

Updated				Superseded			
Description of Goods	Conformity assessment procedures	Inspection Standards	Reference C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits are the same as HS Code)	Description of Goods	Conformity assessment procedures	Inspection Standards	C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits are the same as HS Code)
Plywood (Inspection scope: Plywood, Special plywood, Structural plywood, Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood, Plywood)	Type-Approved Batch Inspection or Registration of Product Certificate (RPC) Scheme (Module II + IV, V or VII)	CNS 1349 (promulgated on 2 October 2014) · CNS 8058 (promulgated on 17 November 2014) · CNS 11671	4412.10.11	Other unfinished plywood (other than bamboo veneer), with at least one outer ply of tropical wood specified in Subheading Note 2 to this Chapter, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness (inspection scope: Plywood)	Type-Approved Batch Inspection or Registration of Product Certificate (RPC) Scheme (Module II + IV, V or VII)	CNS 1349 (promulgated on 7 May 2008) · CNS 8058 (promulgated on 7 May 2008) ·	4412.31.10
			.00.9.C				.00.5.C
			4412.10.12				
			4412.10.91				
			4412.10.92				
			4412.31.10				
			4412.31.20	Other processed plywood (other than bamboo veneer), with at			4412.31.20
			.00.3.C				.00.3.C
			4412.32.10				

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Description of Goods	Conformity assessment procedures	Inspection Standards	Reference C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits are the same as HS Code)	Description of Goods	Conformity assessment procedures	Inspection Standards	C.C.C. Code (the first 6 digits are the same as HS Code)	
for pallet		(promulgated on <u>17 November 2014</u>)、 CNS 8057 (promulgated on <u>5 October 2012</u>)、 CNS 11670 (promulgated on <u>2 October 2014</u>)、 CNS 15583 (promulgated on <u>8 October 2012</u>)	.00.4.C	least one outer ply of tropical wood specified in Subheading Note 2 to this Chapter, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness(inspection scope:Plywood)		CNS 11671 (promulgated on 2 May 2007)		
			4412.32.20					
			.00.2.C					
			4412.39.10					
			.00.7.C					
			4412.39.20					
			.00.5.C					
			4412.94.11				Other unfinished plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with at least one ply of bamboo(inspection scope:Plywood)	4412.10.91
			.00.8.C					.00.2.C
			4412.94.12					
.00.7.C								
4412.94.21	Other unfinished plywood(other than bamboo veneer), with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood, each ply not exceeding(inspection scope:Plywood)	4412.32.10						
.00.6.C		.00.4.C						
4412.94.22								
.00.5.C								
4412.99.31	Other processed plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with at least one ply of bamboo(inspection scope:Plywood)	4412.10.92						
.00.9.C		.00.1.C						
4412.99.32								
.00.8.C								
4412.99.40	Other processed plywood(other than bamboo veneer), with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness(inspection scope:Plywood)	4412.32.20						
.00.8.C		.00.2.C						
4412.99.51								
.00.4.C								
4412.99.52	Other unfinished plywood(other than bamboo veneer), with both outer plies of coniferous wood, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness(inspection scope:Plywood)	4412.39.10						
.00.3.C		.00.7.C						
	Other processed	4412.39.20						

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				plywood(other than bamboo veneer), with both outer plies of coniferous wood, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness(inspection scope:Plywood)			.00.5.C
				Other unfinished plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with at least one outer ply of non- coniferous wood(inspection scope:Plywood)			4412.99.51 .00.4.C
				Other processed plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with at least one outer ply of non- coniferous wood(inspection scope:Plywood)			4412.99.52 .00.3.C
				Other unfinished blockboard,laminboard and battenboard, with at least one outer ply of non- coniferous wood(inspection scope:Plywood)			4412.94.21 .00.6.C
				Other processed blockboard,laminboard and battenboard, with at least one outer ply of non- coniferous wood(inspection scope:Plywood)			4412.94.22 .00.5.C
				Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with both outer plies of coniferous wood,containing at least one ply of bamboo and at least one layer of particle board(inspection			4412.10.12 .00.8.C

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				scope:Plywood)			
				Unfinished blockboard,laminboard and battenboard, with both outer plies of coniferous wood(inspection scope:Plywood)			4412.94.11.00.8.C
				Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with both outer plies of coniferous wood,containing at least one ply of bamboo and not containing any layer of particle board(inspection scope:Plywood)			4412.10.11.00.9.C
				Other plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with both outer plies of coniferous wood, not containing any layer of particle board(inspection scope:Plywood)			4412.99.31.00.9.C
				Processed blockboard,laminboard and battenboard, with both outer plies of coniferous wood(inspection scope:Plywood)			4412.94.12.00.7.C
				Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with both outer plies of coniferous wood,containing at least one ply of bamboo and not containing any layer of particle board(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form,	Monitoring Inspection	CNS 8057 (promulgated on 24 February 2000) · CNS 11670 (promulgated on 25 January	4412.10.11.00.9.G

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				Scaffolding plywood)		1999)	
				Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with both outer plies of coniferous wood,containing at least one ply of bamboo and at least one layer of particle board(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.10.12.00.8.G
				Other unfinished plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood,with at least one ply of bamboo(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.10.91.00.2.G
				Other processed plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood,with at least one ply of bamboo(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.10.92.00.1.G
				Other unfinished plywood (other than bamboo veneer), with at least one outer ply of tropical wood specified in Subheading Note 2 to this Chapter, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.31.10.00.5.G
				Other processed plywood (other than bamboo veneer), with at			4412.31.20.00.3.G

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				least one outer ply of tropical wood specified in Subheading Note 2 to this Chapter, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			
				Other unfinished plywood(other than bamboo veneer), with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood, each ply not exceeding(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.32.10 .00.4.G
				Other processed plywood(other than bamboo veneer), with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.32.20 .00.2.G
				Other unfinished plywood(other than bamboo veneer), with both outer plies of coniferous wood, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.39.10 .00.7.G
				Other processed plywood(other than bamboo veneer), with both outer plies of coniferous wood, each ply not exceeding 6 mm thickness(inspection			4412.39.20 .00.5.G

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				scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			
				Unfinished blockboard,laminboard and battenboard, with both outer plies of coniferous wood(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.94.11 .00.8.G
				Processed blockboard,laminboard and battenboard, with both outer plies of coniferous wood(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.94.12 .00.7.G
				Other unfinished blockboard,laminboard and battenboard, with at least one outer ply of non- coniferous wood(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.94.21 .00.6.G
				Other processed blockboard,laminboard and battenboard, with at least one outer ply of non- coniferous wood(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.94.22 .00.5.G
				Other plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with both outer plies of coniferous wood, not containing any layer of particle board(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.99.31 .00.9.G
				Other plywood, veneered panels and			4412.99.32 .00.8.G

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				similar laminated wood, with both outer plies of coniferous wood, containing at least one layer of particle board(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			
				Other plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood , containing at least one layer of particle board(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.99.40.00.8.G
				Other unfinished plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with at least one outer ply of non- coniferous wood(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.99.51.00.4.G
				Other processed plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood, with at least one outer ply of non- coniferous wood(inspection scope: Plywood for concrete-form, Scaffolding plywood)			4412.99.52.00.3.G

Other:

Other requirement not mentioned herein shall be handled pursuant to “Directions Governing Type-approved Batch Inspection of Wooden Board Commodities” .