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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<p><b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>BOTSWANA</u></p> <p><b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b> Ministry of Investment Trade and Industry Private Bag004 Gaborone Botswana Tel: (+267) 3601200</p>
<p><b>2. Agency responsible:</b></p> <p>Botswana Bureau of Standards Private Bag BO 48 Gaborone Botswana Tel: (+267) 3903200 Fax: (+267) 3903210 Toll Free Number: (0800 600900)</p> <p><b>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:</b></p> <p>Same as above</p>
<p><b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:</b></p>
<p><b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Health Equipment</p>
<p><b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> BOS EN 143:2021</p> <p>Respiratory protective devices - Particle filters - Requirements, testing, marking.; (29 page(s), in English)</p>
<p><b>6. Description of content:</b> This document specifies particle filters for use as replaceable components in unassisted respiratory protective devices (RPD) with the exception of escape devices and filtering face pieces. Laboratory tests are included for the assessment of compliance with the requirements. Some filters complying with this document can also be suitable for use with other types of respiratory protective devices and/or escape devices. If so, they need to be tested and marked according to the appropriate European Standard.</p> <p>This document does not cover requirements concerning respiratory hygiene. Requirements for decrease of the microbiological hazards caused by the growth of bacteria and viruses on the filtration material are not determined.</p>

<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements; Harmonization
<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> EN ISO 16972:2020, Respiratory protective devices - Vocabulary and graphical symbols (ISO 16972:2020) EN 134:1998, Respiratory protective devices - Nomenclature of components EN 148-1:2018, Respiratory protective devices - Threads for facepieces - Part 1: Standard thread connection EN 13274-3:2001, Respiratory protective devices - Methods of test - Part 3: Determination of breathing resistance EN 13274-7:2019, Respiratory protective devices - Methods of test - Part 7: Determination of particle filter penetration.
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 12 months from date of publication
<b>10. Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from notification
<b>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b>  Information Centre Botswana Bureau of Standards Private Bag BO 48 Gaborone Botswana Tel: (+267) 3903200 Fax: (+267) 3903210 Toll Free Number: (0800 600900)