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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

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| 1. Notifying Member: TÜRKİYE If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2): |
| 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry/ General Directorate of Food and Control |
| 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other: |
| 4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Wheat Flour |
| 5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Turkish Food Codex Communiqué on Amending the Communiqué on Wheat Flour (2013/9); (1 page(s), in Turkish) Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request: https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/TUR/26_02186_00_x.pdf https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr/GKGM/Duyuru/684/Mevzuat-Taslagi-Tgk-Bugday-Unu-Tebligi-Ile-Ekmek-Ve-Ekmek-Cesitleri-Tebliginde Türkiye-TBT Enquiry Point Ministry of Trade DG of Product Safety and Inspection Söğütözü Mah. 2176 Sk. No:63, 06510 Çankaya/Ankara/TÜRKİYE Telephone: +90 312 204 89 75 Fax: +90 312 212 68 64 E-mail: tbt@ticaret.gov.tr Website: http://www.teknikengel.ticaret.gov.tr |
| 6. Description of content: The purpose of this draft Communiqué is to amend Turkish Food Codex Communiqué on Wheat Flour. This amendment prohibits the addition of brown or black colorants—such as roasted malt flour, roasted chickpea flour, and dark malt extract—and similar ingredients to wheat flour for the purpose of imparting color and/or aroma. |
| 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety |
| 8. Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Veterinary, Phytosanitary, Food and Feed Law No: 5996 (G/SPS/N/TUR/9).• Turkish Food Codex Communiqué on Wheat Flour (2013/9) |
| 9. Proposed date of adoption: 10 June 2026 |

Proposed date of entry into force: 10 July 2026; This Communiqué enters into force on the date of its publication with the transitional period until 30 september 2026

"Provisional Article 2

(1) Food business operators operating within the scope of this Communiqué must comply with the provisions introduced by the Communiqué enacting this article by 30/09/2026."

10. Provision of comments

Final date for comments: 23 June 2026

[X] 60 days from notification

Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:

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