

Overview of TTCS 10:20XX, *Garments and textiles – Compulsory requirements*

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Revision of two compulsory standards:

- TTS 76:Part 3:2007, *Requirements for labelling- Part 3: Labelling of garments*
- TTS 76:Part 7:2008, *Textiles – Labelling and advertising – Requirements*

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Updating of requirements

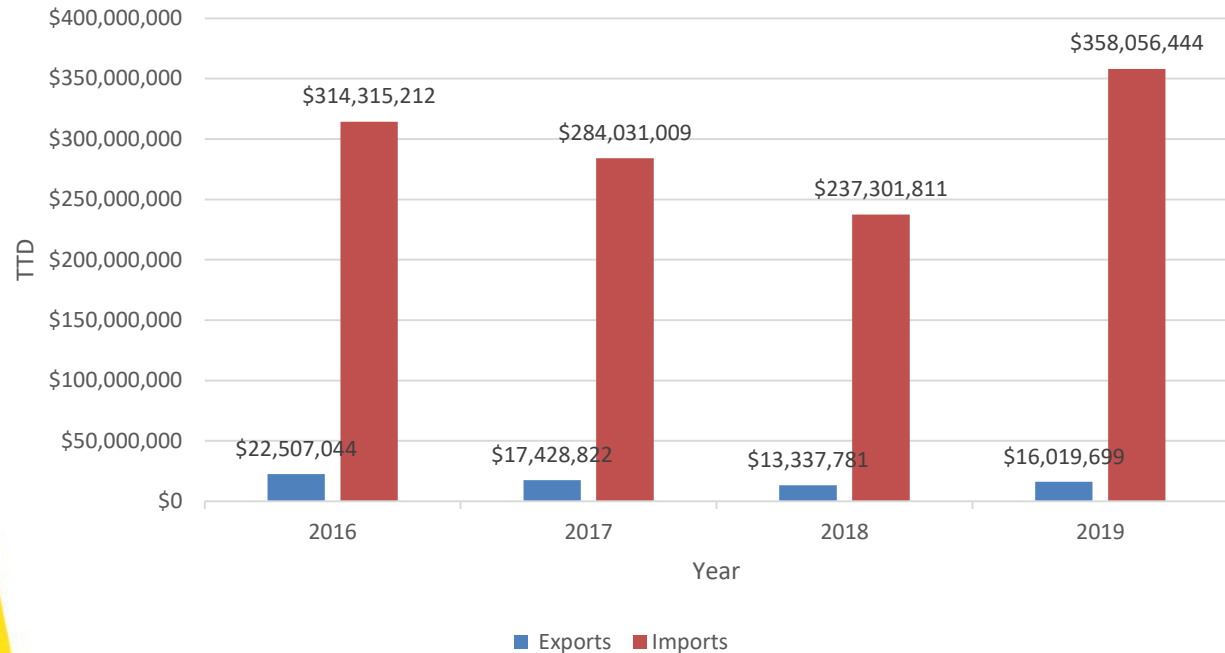
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Inclusion of chemical requirements for azo dyes and formaldehydes

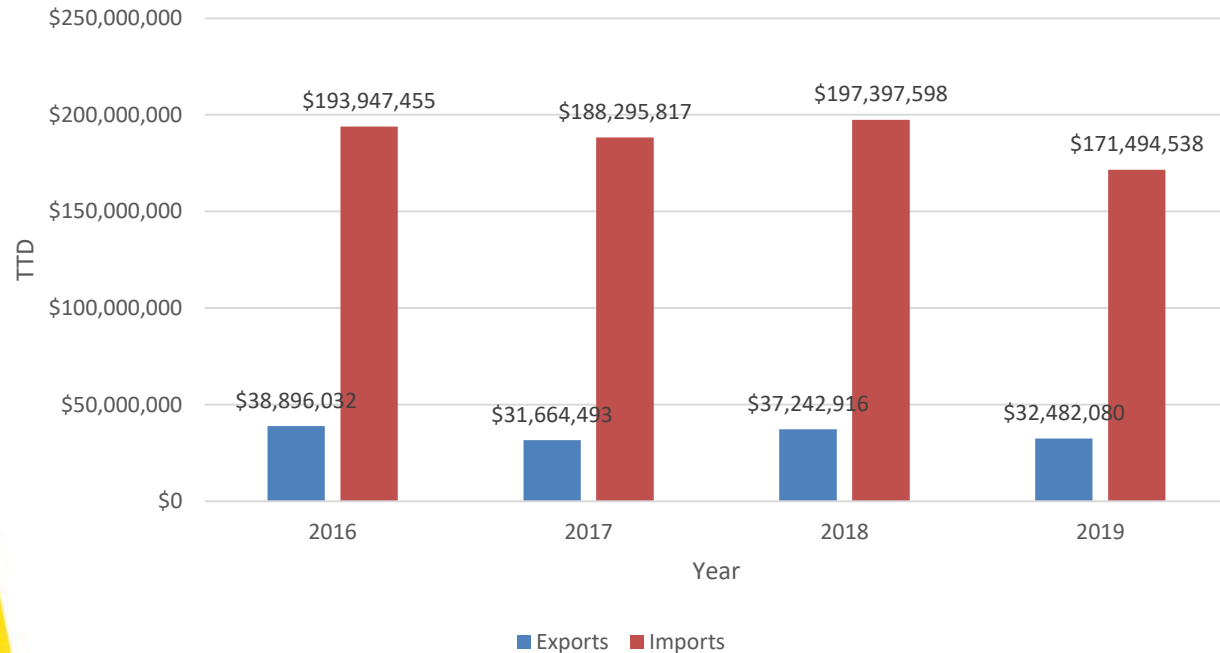
Background (continued)

Export/Import data for clothing 2016-2019



Background (continued)

Export/import data for textiles 2016-2019



Scope of TTCS 10:20XX

Labelling of garments and textiles

Chemical composition of garments and textiles

Does not apply to bespoke garments, personal protective wear and footwear

Key labelling requirements - Garments

Name and address of
manufacturer/brand
name/TTBS Registration
number

Fibre content

Country of origin



Size

Care instructions

Include "used" if
applicable

Key labelling requirements - Textiles



Seconds, irregular and slightly imperfect

Table D.1 — Point system for defects

Length of defect (exclusive of holes and openings)	Points
≤ 75 mm	1
> 75 mm to ≤ 150 mm	2
> 150 mm to ≤ 230 mm	3
> 230 mm	4
Length of defect pertaining to holes and openings	
≤ 25 mm	2
> 25 mm	4

Textiles that are visually inspected and found to contain no defects outlined in Annex D or defects that total ≤ 40 points using the point system outlined in Table D.1 shall be considered as first quality textiles.

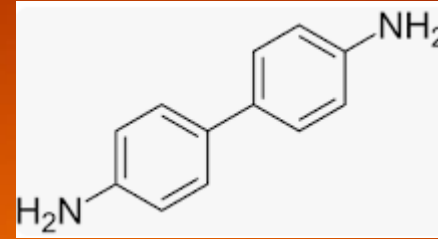
Requirements for azo dyes

Azo dyes

Garments and textiles shall not contain azo dyes which release one or more of the aromatic amines (outlined in Annex C) in excess of 30 ppm

Azo dyes release amines that are carcinogens

Amines - Benzidine



Requirements for formaldehydes

Table C.1 — Limits for formaldehyde in garments and textiles

Class	Maximum limit (mg/kg)
1 ^a	20
2 ^b	75
3 ^c	300

^a Class 1: Products for babies – (up to 36 months of age), which includes products such as cloth diapers, underwear, gloves, socks, bibs, outerwear, hats, and bedding items.

^b Class 2: Products with direct skin contact – including blouses, skirts, shorts, pyjamas, socks, brassieres, bed sheets, towels, hats and textile material sold for the manufacture of clothing

^c Class 3: Products without direct skin contact – including some sweaters and overcoats, bed covers, curtains, filling material, textile wallpaper and padding cloth.

Benefits

Empowered
consumer
purchases

Protection of
public health
and safety

Value for money
purchases

Provides guidance
on the position of
labels on garments



Next steps

Collate and dispose
of comments on
draft standard



Jan 2021

Submit to the TTBS
Board of Directors
for approval



Feb 2021

Forward to the
Ministry of Trade
and Industry for
compulsory status



Mar – April 2021

THANK YOU

- Download standard from TTBS website (www.gottbs.com)
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