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**Report Name:** Draft Amendments to EAEU Regulation on Safety of Meat  
Notified to WTO

**Country:** Russian Federation

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Livestock and Products

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**Report Highlights:**

Russia notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of draft amendments to the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) Technical Regulation (TR) on Safety of Meat and Meat Products via G/TBT/N/RUS/114. The draft measure will somewhat relax the TR requirements for nutrition labeling of meat products based on the relevant international experience and regulations, including those of the United States. The public comment period for the draft will close on July 12, 2021. Interested U.S. parties are encouraged to share their comments and concerns with the National Institute of Standards and Technology at [ncsci@nist.gov](mailto:ncsci@nist.gov). For potential inclusion in the U.S. official position, please send your comments by June 28, 2021.

## General Information

The Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC), which is the regulatory body of the Armenia-Belarus-Kazakhstan-Kyrgyzstan-Russia Eurasian Economic Union<sup>1</sup> (EAEU), published the following draft document on its website:

- [Draft Amendments No. 1 to the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “On Safety of Meat and Meat Products” \(TR TS 034/2013\)](#)

On April 16, 2021, Russia notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the above draft via [G/TBT/N/RUS/114](#). The public comment period for the draft will close on July 12, 2021. Interested U.S. parties are encouraged to share their comments and concerns with the National Institute of Standards and Technology at [ncsci@nist.gov](mailto:ncsci@nist.gov). For potential inclusion in the U.S. official position, please send your comments by June 28, 2021.

Among other things, the draft measure would establish allowable deviations of the actual nutritional value indicators of slaughter products and meat products from those indicated on the product label. The EEC explanatory note cites the United States CFR as a sample regulation, which mandates average nutritional value indicators on the label, while allowing deviations for protein and fat content in the product of “at least 80 percent” and “not more than 120 percent” from that on the label, respectively.

An unofficial English translation of the notified measure can be found below.

For translation of the full text of the original Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “On Safety of Meat and Meat Products” please see GAIN report [RS1384 Customs Union Technical Regulation on Meat](#).

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<sup>1</sup> For details, please see 2016 GAIN report [RS1611 Eurasian Economic Union One Year On](#).

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**EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION  
COUNCIL**

**DECISION**

\_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_ city

**On Amending the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “On Safety of Meat and Meat Products” (TR TS 034/2013)**

In accordance with article 52 of the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, and paragraph 29 of Annex No. 1 to the Rules of Procedure of the Eurasian Economic Commission approved by Decision of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council No. 98 of December 23, 2014, the Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission **has resolved:**

1. To amend the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “On Safety of Meat and Meat Products” (TR TS 034/2013), approved by Decision of the Customs Union Commission No. 68 of October 9, 2013, in accordance with the attachment.

2. The present Decision shall come into effect after 180 calendar days from its official publication.

**Members of the Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission:**

<b>From the Republic of Armenia</b>	<b>From the Republic of Belarus</b>	<b>From the Republic of Kazakhstan</b>	<b>From the Kyrgyz Republic</b>	<b>From the Russian Federation</b>
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Annex  
to Decision of the Council  
of the Eurasian Economic Commission  
dated “ \_\_\_ ” \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_

**AMENDMENTS**  
**to the technical regulation of the Customs Union “On Safety of Meat and Meat products” (TR TS 034/2013)**

1. Item 17 shall be supplemented with the following paragraph:

“The actual indicators of protein and fat in meat products for baby food should not go beyond the permissible levels established in Annex No. 4.”

2. Item 106 shall be amended as follows:

“106. Labeling of slaughter products and meat products must comply with the requirements of the technical regulation of the Customs Union “On Food Products Labeling” (TR TS 022/2011), as well as the requirements established by items 107 - 126 of this technical regulation, taking into account the requirements established herein.

The permissible limits of actual values of the content of nutrients when specifying information on the nutritional value of slaughter products and meat products shall be as follows:

protein - at least 80 percent of the value indicated in the product labeling;

fat, carbohydrates, energy value (calorie content) - no more than 120 percent of the value indicated in the product labeling.”

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**EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION  
COLLEGIUM**

**DECISION**

\_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_ city

**On the Procedure for Implementation of Amendments No. 1 the Technical Regulation of the  
Customs Union “On Safety of Meat and Meat Products” (TR TS 034/2013)**

In accordance with article 52 of the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, item 3 of the Regulation on the Eurasian Economic Commission (Annex No. 1 to the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014), and paragraph 11 of Annex No. 2 to the Rules of Procedure of the Eurasian Economic Commission approved by Decision of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council No. 98 of December 23, 2014, the Collegium of the Eurasian Economic Commission **has resolved:**

1. To establish the following:

a) during 24 months from the date of entry into force of amendments to the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “On Safety of Meat and Meat Products” (TR TS 034/2013), introduced by decision of the Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission dated \_\_ \_\_\_\_ 202\_ No. \_\_\_\_, it shall be allowed to produce and release slaughter products and meat products into circulation in the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union in accordance with the mandatory requirements for their labeling, established by the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “On Food Products Labeling” (TR TS 022/2011), adopted by decision of the Customs Union Commission No. 881 of December 9, 2011.

b) circulation of the products, stated in sub-item a) of the present item, shall be allowed within the shelf-life period for the products as established by the producer.

2. The present Decision shall come into effect after 30 calendar days from its official publication.

Chairman of the Collegium  
Of the Eurasian Economic Commission

M. Myasnikovich

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**Attachments:**

No Attachments.