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**Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade** 

## NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1.	Notifying Member: <u>EGYPT</u>
	If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible:
	Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo - Egypt E-mail: <u>eos@idsc.net.eg/eos.tbt@eos.org.eg</u> Website: <u>http://www.eos.org.eg</u> Tel.: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504
	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:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): ICS: (83.140.99) Other rubber and plastics products, ICS: (11.140) Hospital equipment.
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic), mandating the Egyptian standard ES 1595-1 "Rubber gloves for medical use - part: 1 single - use sterile rubber surgical gloves - specification" (20 pages, in Arabic).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 1595-1 which specifies the requirements for packaged sterile rubber gloves intended for use in surgical procedures to protect the patient and the user from cross-contamination. It is applicable to single-use gloves that are worn once and then discarded. It does not apply to examination or procedure gloves. It covers gloves with smooth surfaces and gloves with textured surfaces over part or the whole glove.
	This Standard is intended as a reference for the performance and safety of rubber surgical gloves. The safe and proper usage of surgical gloves and sterilization procedures with subsequent handling, packaging, and storage procedures are outside the scope of this Standard.
	Worth mentioning is that this standard is identical with ISO 10282/2014.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Health, safety requirements

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## 8. Relevant documents:

- Ministerial Decree 477/2018.
- ISO 10282/2014

9. Proposed date of adoption: 22 May 2018

Proposed date of entry into force: 24 June 2018

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification

# 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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