



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: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg 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 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Wood, sawlogs and sawn timber (ICS code(s): 79.040); Construction of railways (ICS code(s): 93.100)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 502 /2023 (4 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 8741-1 for "wooden sleepers for railway track part: 1 specification"; (24 page(s), in Arabic)
6.	Description of content: The Ministerial Decree No. 502 /2023 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 8741-1 which covers the requirements of wooden sleepers and wooden specials used for broad gauge, metre gauge and narrow gauge railway tracks. Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical with IS 10394:1982
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: safety requirements; Quality requirements
8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ministerial Decree No. 502 /2023• IS 10394:1982
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 18 December 2023 Proposed date of entry into force: 5 January 2024

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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