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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

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EGYPT</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo – Egypt E-mail: <a href="mailto:eos@idsc.net.eg">eos@idsc.net.eg</a> / <a href="mailto:eos.tbt@eos.org.eg">eos.tbt@eos.org.eg</a> Website: <a href="http://www.eos.org.eg">http://www.eos.org.eg</a> Tel.: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504  <b>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:</b>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Electric heaters (ICS code(s): 97.100.10)
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023 (4 pages, in Arabic) mandating The Egyptian standard ES 7312 for "Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety - Particular requirements for sauna heating appliances and infrared cabins"; (17 page(s), in English)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023 gives producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 7312 which deals with the safety of electric sauna heating appliances and infrared emitting units having a rated power input not exceeding 20 kW, their rated voltage being not more than 250 V for single-phase appliances and 480 V for other appliances. The appliances covered by this standard are intended for use in the home and in public saunas located in blocks of flats, hotels and similar locations. This standard also deals with the safety of electric sauna heating appliances provided with a humidifier unit, their rated voltage being not more than 250 V for single-phase appliances and 480 V for other appliances. The room air is humidified by evaporating or atomising water.  Worth mentioning is that this standard adopts the technical content of IEC 60335-2-53:2011+AMD 1:2017+AMD 2:2021
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Safety requirements.; Quality requirements

<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023</li><li>• IEC 60335-2-53:2011+AMD 1:2017+AMD 2:2021</li></ul>
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> 18 December 2023 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 5 January 2024
<b>10. Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from notification
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