



Key Principles of the SPS & TBT Agreements



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Principles of the Agreements on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)





Card 1: Objective of the TBT Agreement

1a The TBT Agreement strikes a balance between Members' right to regulate to protect legitimate interests, and the need to prevent TBT measures from becoming unnecessary trade obstacles.

OR ?

1b The TBT Agreement safeguards Members' absolute right to impose any regulations they want regardless of the impact on market access.

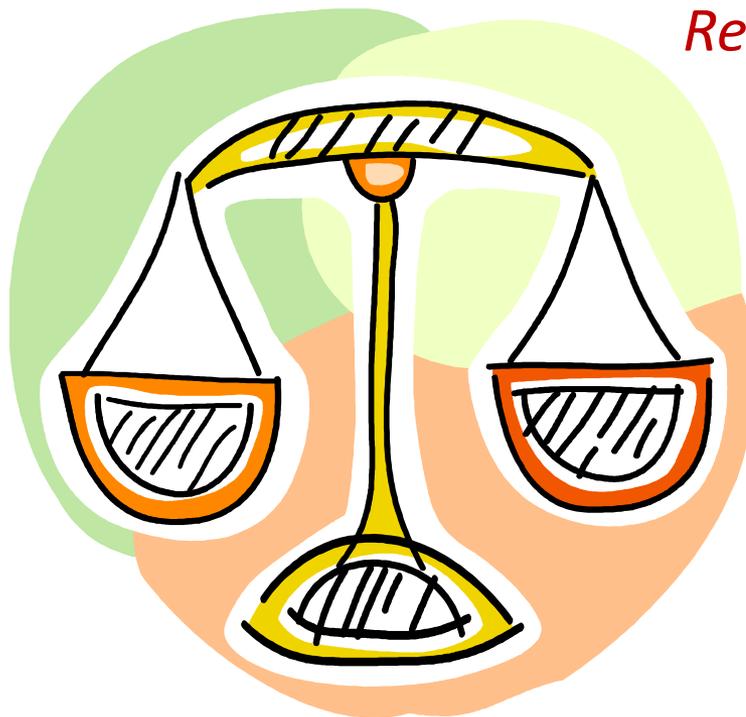


Objectives of the SPS and TBT Agreements

1a

Pursuit of trade liberalization to...

avoid unnecessary barriers to international trade



Recognizing Members' right to...

- ❖ protect human, animal, plant life or health
- ❖ fulfill legitimate objectives

at levels they consider appropriate



Card 2: Products subject to the TBT Agreement

2a The TBT Agreement applies to **all products**, including industrial and agricultural products.

OR ?

2b The TBT Agreement **only applies to industrial products**, as agricultural products are dealt with in the Agriculture Agreement.



Card 2: Products subject to the TBT Agreement *TBT Article 1.3*

2a



The TBT Agreement applies to

ALL PRODUCTS



including industrial and agricultural products

TBT - *type of measure !*

SPS - *its objective !*



Card 3: TBT Policy Objectives

3a Considerations related to national security and prevention of deceptive practices are the key policy objectives that may justify the adoption of a technical regulation.

OR ?

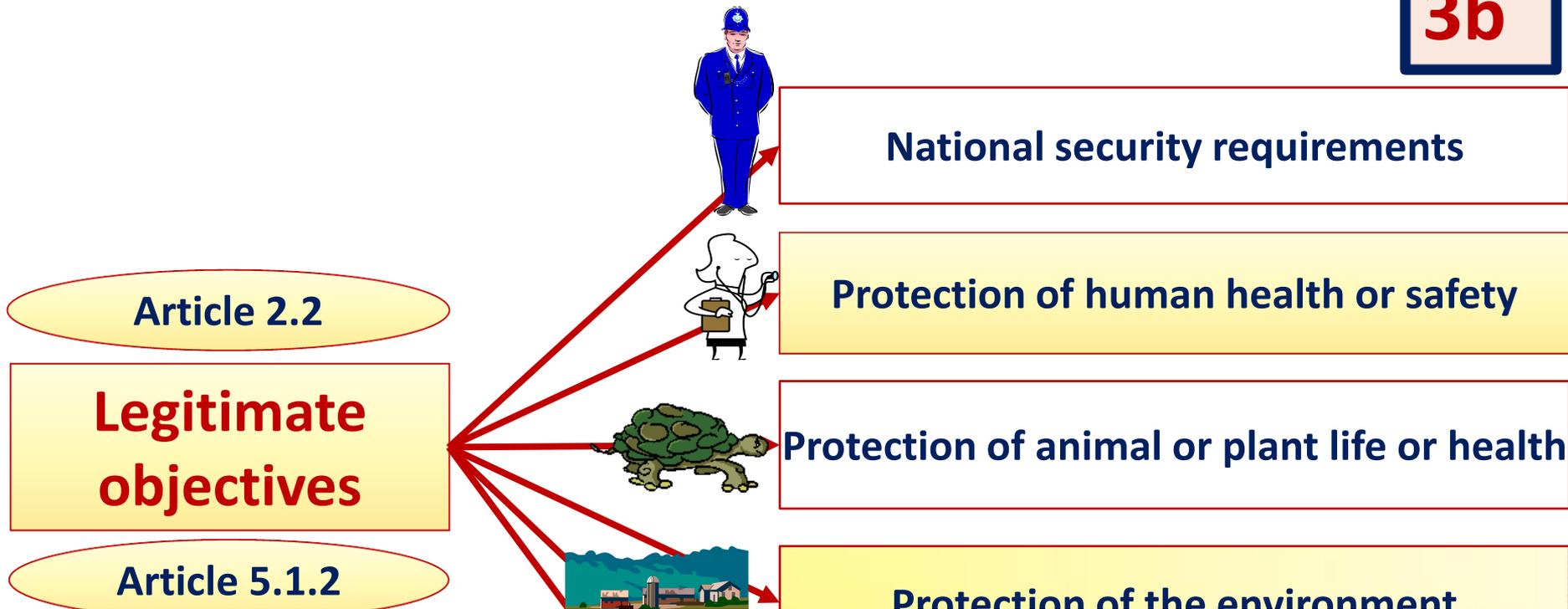
3b Several policy objectives, listed non-exhaustively in the TBT Agreement, may justify the adoption of a technical regulation.



Card 3: TBT Policy Objectives

TBT Article 2.2

3b



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