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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>BURUNDI, KENYA, RWANDA, TANZANIA, UGANDA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS)
3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Cereals (HS code(s): 10); Products of the milling industry; Malt; Starches; Inulin; Wheat gluten (HS code(s): 11); Food technology (ICS code(s): 67)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: DEAS 44:2023, Draft East African Standard for Milled Maize (Corn) Products. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 12 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/TZA/23_10284_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: This draft East African Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for whole maize meal, granulated maize meal, sifted maize meal, maize grits and maize flour from the grains of common maize (<i>Zea mays</i> L.) intended for human consumption. This standard does not apply to fortified milled maize (corn) products and maize grits intended for brewing, manufacturing of starch and any other industrial use.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): – CXS 153, Standard for Whole Maize (Corn) Meal – CXS 154, Standard for Degermed Maize (Corn) Meal and Maize (Corn) Grits <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: This standard circulated deviates from the International Codex

<p>Standard on the moisture limits set. This draft East African standard for milled maize corn products has set limits for moisture at a max of 14 m/m%, while the Codex is set at 15.5 m/m%.</p> <p>These are set lower to the due to the east African region climate in relation to the duration of transport, storage and in consideration of the whole post handling process.</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): [X] Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 September 2023</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Tanzania Bureau of Standards Bahati Samillani Clavery Chausi National Enquiry Point Officers for SPS Dr. Athuman Ngenya Director General - Tanzania Bureau of Standards P.O. Box 9524 Tel: +(255 22) 245 0206 Fax: +(255 22) 245 0959 E-mail: bahati.samillani@tbs.go.tz clavery.chausi@tbs.go.tz dq@tbs.go.tz david.ndbalema@tbs.go.tz nep@tbs.go.tz Website: http://www.tbs.go.tz</p>
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