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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
- 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): Maize "corn" flour (HS code(s): 110220); Groats and meal of maize "corn" (HS code(s): 110313); Cereals, pulses and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.060)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [X] All trading partners
  - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: DEAS 44: 2023, Milled maize (corn) products Specification, Fifth Edition. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 12

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TZA/24\_00854\_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 (*Zea mays* 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.

Note: This Draft East African Standard was also notified under TBT Committee.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
  - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (*e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text*):
  - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
  - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
  - [X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]Yes []No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

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9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
	<ol> <li>AOAC 965.22, Sorting corn grits sieving method modified</li> <li>CODEX STAN 193, Codex general standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed</li> <li>EAS 2, Maize grains — Specification</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods — General requirements</li> <li>EAS 39, Hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry — Code of practice</li> <li>EAS 900, Cereals and pulses — Sampling</li> <li>EAS 901, Cereals and pulses — Test methods</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>ISO 2171, Cereals, pulses and by-products — Determination of ash yield by incineration</li> <li>ISO 5985, Animal feeding stuffs — Determination of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid</li> <li>ISO 6561-1, Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of cadmium content — Part 1: Method using graphite furnace atomic absorption spectrometry</li> <li>ISO 6561-2, Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of cadmium content — Part 2: Method using flame atomic absorption spectrometry.</li> <li>ISO 6579-1, Microbiology of the food chain — Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of Salmonella — Part 1: Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp.</li> <li>ISO 6633, Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of lead content — Flameless atomic absorption spectrometric method</li> <li>ISO 6888-1, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulase- positive staphylococci (<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> and other species) — Part 1: Technique using Baird-Parker agar medium</li> <li>ISO 11085, Cereals, cereals-based products and animal feeding stuffs — Determination of crude fat and total fat content by the Randall extraction method for the enumeration of beta- glucuronidase-positive <i>Escherichia coli</i> — Part 2: Colony-count technique at 44 degrees C using 5-bromo-4-chloro-3- indolyl beta-D-glucuronide</li> <li>ISO 21527-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of yeasts and moulds — Part 2: Colony count technique in products with water activity less than or equal to 0.95</li> <li>CODEX STAN 154:1985 (Rev.1: 1995), Standard for whole maize (corn) meal 20. EAS 44:2017, Milled maize (corn) products — Specification (available in English)</li> </ol>
10.	Proposed date of adoption ( <i>dd/mm/yy</i> ): To be determined and notified. Proposed date of publication ( <i>dd/mm/yy</i> ): To be determined.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or
	( <i>dd/mm/yy</i> ): To be determined. [X] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 30 March 2024
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## 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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