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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>UGANDA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Uganda National Bureau of Standards
<b>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):</b> Non-alcoholic beverages (excl. water, fruit or vegetable juices, milk and beer) (HS code(s): 220299); Non-alcoholic beverages (ICS code(s): 67.160.20)
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> DUS 47: 2022, Carbonated and non-carbonated soft drinks — Specification, Fourth edition. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 26 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/UGA/22_8521_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/UGA/22_8521_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> This Draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for carbonated and non-carbonated soft drinks which may be concentrated (solid or liquid) or ready to drink.  This standard does not apply to products for which other standards apply such as: a) waters (including packaged water, flavoured drinking water and packaged natural mineral waters); b) fruit juice drinks; c) fruit juices and nectars; d) vegetable juices and nectars; e) herbal juices (ready to drink and concentrates); and f) cereal based beverages.  The standard stipulates the compositional, safety and quality attributes for carbonated and non-carbonated soft drinks. Labelling requirements have been incorporated in this standard to clearly distinguish carbonated and non-carbonated soft drinks from other types of drinks.  This standard clarifies the difference between the carbonated and non-carbonated soft drinks and other drinks with a view of facilitating communication between consumers and traders while encouraging fair trade practices. For clarity purposes to industry and standard enforcers, it is important to distinctively mention that diet/light/lite are low calorie drinks, normally with virtually no calories.  Note: This Draft Uganda Standard was also notified to the TBT Committee.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>food safety</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>animal health</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>plant protection</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect territory from other damage from pests.</b>

**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):**

**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:**

**9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**

- Uganda gazette
- US CAC/GL 50, General guidelines on sampling
- US CAC/GL 66, Guidelines for the use of flavourings
- US EAS 12, Potable water – Specification
- US 28 EAS 39, Code of practice for hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry
- US EAS 35, Fortified food grade salt – Specification
- US EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods – General requirements
- US EAS 104, Alcoholic beverages – Methods of sampling and test
- US EAS 803, Nutrition labelling – Requirements
- US EAS 804, Claims on food – Requirements
- US EAS 805, Use of nutrition and health claims – Requirements
- US ISO 2173, Fruit and vegetable products – Determination of soluble solids – Refractometric method
- US ISO 2448, Fruit and vegetable products – Determination of ethanol content
- US ISO 4831, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of coliforms – Most probable number technique
- US ISO 4833-1, Microbiology of the food chain – Horizontal method for the enumeration of microorganisms – Part 1: Colony count at 30 °C by the pour plate technique
- US ISO 4833-2, Microbiology of the food chain – Horizontal method for the enumeration of microorganisms – Part 2: Colony count at 30 °C by the surface plating technique
- US ISO 6561-2, Fruits, vegetables and derived products – Determination of cadmium content – Part 2: Method using flame atomic absorption spectrometry
- US ISO 6633, Fruit and vegetables products – Determination of lead content – Flameless atomic absorption spectrometric method
- US ISO 6634, Fruit, vegetables and derived products – Determination of arsenic content – Silver diethyldithiocarbamate spectrophotometric method
- US ISO 6637, Fruits, vegetables and derived products – Determination of mercury content – Flameless atomic absorption method
- US ISO 6888-1, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulase-positive staphylococci (*Staphylococcus aureus* and other species) – Part 1: Technique using Baird-Parker agar medium
- US ISO 7251, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of presumptive *Escherichia coli* – Most probable number technique
- US ISO 21527-1, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the enumeration of yeasts and moulds – Part 1, Colony count technique in products with water activity greater than 0.95;
- US 45, General standard for food additives
- US 738, General standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed
- US 1659, Materials in contact with food – Requirements for packaging materials (available in English)

<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 10 February 2023  <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:  Uganda National Bureau of Standards  Plot 2-12 ByPass Link, Bweyogerere Industrial and Business Park  P.O. Box 6329  Kampala, Uganda  Tel: +(256) 4 1733 3250/1/2  Fax: +(256) 4 1428 6123  E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@unbs.go.ug">info@unbs.go.ug</a>  Website: <a href="https://www.unbs.go.ug">https://www.unbs.go.ug</a></p>
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