NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Uganda  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Uganda National 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):** Chocolate, chocolate products |
| **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:** DUS DEAS 1033:2020, Chocolate and chocolate products - Specification, First Edition.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 15  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/UGA/20_7494_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Uganda Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for chocolate and chocolate products for human consumption. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[****X]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** CXS 87-1981, Standard for Chocolate and Chocolate Products  **[ ]****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?**  **[****X]** **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, * EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods - General requirements; * EAS 39, Hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry - Code of practice; * AOAC 963.15, Fat in Cacao Products; * AOAC 931.05, Cacao Mass (Fat-Free) of Chocolate Liquor; * AOAC 945.34, Fat (Milk) in Milk Chocolate; * AOAC 920.80, Milk Fat in Milk Chocolate; * AOAC 999.10, Lead, Cadmium, Zinc, Copper, and Iron in Foods - Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry after Microwave Digestion; * AOAC 999.11, Determination of Lead, Cadmium, Copper, Iron, and Zinc in Foods; * AOAC 973.34, Cadmium in Food; * AOAC 986.15, Arsenic, Cadmium, Lead, Selenium, and Zinc in Human and Pet Foods; * CODEX STAN 234, Methods of Analysis and Sampling; * CODEX STAN 192, General standard for food additives; * ISO 16654, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the detection of *Escherichia coli* O157; * ISO 6579-1, Microbiology of the food chain - Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of Salmonella - Part 1: Detection of *Salmonella* spp.; * 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; * 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.   (available in English) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** June 2021  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** Upon declaration as mandatory by the Minister for Trade, Industry and Cooperatives.  **[****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)*:** 5 February 2021  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****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: info@unbs.go.ug  Website: <https://www.unbs.go.ug> |
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