NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** BURUNDI, KENYA, RWANDA, TANZANIA, UGANDA  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Burundi Bureau of Standards and Quality Control (BBN)  Boulevard de la Tanzanie N° 500  BP: 3535 Bujumbura, Burundi  Tel: +257281045/+25722221577  E- Mail: [info@bbnburundi.org](mailto:info@bbnburundi.org)  Website: www.bbnburundi.org  **Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:** |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Sugar and sugar products (ICS code(s): 67.180.10) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Brown sugar — Specification; (9 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft East Africa Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and methods of test for light brown and brown sugar for direct human consumption or further processing.  This standard does not apply to soft brown sugar |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** National security requirements; Consumer information, labelling; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment; Quality requirements; Harmonization; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   1. EAS 38 - labelling of pre-packaged foods- General requirements -EAS 39 Code of practice for hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry 2. ICUMSA Method GS 1 -1(2022) Polarimetric sucrose content of raw sugar by VIS polarimetry - official (reference) 3. ICUMSA Method GS 2-6 (2007), Determination of Reducing Sugars in White Sugar and Plantation White Sugar by the Modified Ofner Titrimetric Method 4. ICUMSA Method GS 1-13(1994) Determination of Conductivity Ash in Raw Sugar, Brown Sugar, Juice, Syrup and Molasses 5. ICUMSA Method GS 2-15 (2007) Determination of Sugar Moisture by Loss on Drying 6. ICUMSA Method GS 1 -7 (2024) colour in solution of sugar and syrups – official 7. ICUMSA GS 2-35 (2024) Determination of Sulphite in Refined Sugar Products excepting Brown Sugars by an Enzymatic Method 8. ICUMSA Method GS 2-19 (2007) Determination of Insoluble Matter in White Sugar by Membrane Filtration 9. ISO 16649-2: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of beta-glucuronidase-positive Escherichia coli 10. 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 11. ISO 6579-1 Microbiology of the food chain — Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of Salmonella Part 1: Detection of Salmonella spp. 12. ISO 4833-1, Microbiology food chain — Horizontal method for enumeration for microorganism — Part 1, colony count at 30 degrees C by the pour plate technique |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  Documentation and Information Centre at BBN  Boulevard de la Tanzanie N° 500  BP: 3535 Bujumbura, Burundi  Tel: +25722221815 or +25722221577  E- Mail: [info@bbnburundi.org](mailto:info@bbnburundi.org)  Website: www.bbnburundi.org  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/BDI/24_06573_00_e.pdf> |