NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** MALAWI  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Malawi Bureau of Standards  **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:**  Director General  Malawi Bureau of Standards  P.O Box 946  Blantyre  Malawi  Telephone:+265 887 376 444  Fax: +265 1 870 756  Email: [info@mbsmw.org](mailto:info@mbsmw.org) |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****X],** **2.10.1 [****],** **5.6.2 [****],** **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):** (HS code(s): 1104); (ICS code(s): 67.060) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DMS 544:2022, Pearl millet grains – Specification; (3 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This draft Malawi standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test for whole and decorticated pearl millet grains of the species Pennisetum glaucum (L.) R.Br. intended for human consumption. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Quality requirements |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   1. MS 19: Labeling of prepacked foods – General standard; 2. MS 21: Food and food processing units – Code of hygienic conditions; 3. MS 145: Cereals and cereal products — Sampling: 4. MS 302: Contaminants and toxins in food and feed – General standard; 5. MS 1796: Pulses — Determination of impurities, size, foreign odours, insects, and species and variety — Test methods; 6. AOAC Official Method 2001.04: Determination of Fumonisins B1 and B2 in corn and corn flakes — Liquid chromatography with immunoaffinity column cleanup. 7. ISO 520: Cereals and pulses — Determination of the mass of 1000 grains; 8. ISO 711: Cereals and cereal products — Determination of moisture content (Basic reference method) 9. ISO 712: Cereals and cereal products — Determination of moisture content — Routine reference method; 10. ISO 5498: Agricultural food products — Determination crude fibre content — General method; 11. ISO 5984: Animal feeding stuffs — Determination of crude ash ; 12. ISO 6561-1: Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of cadmium content — Part 1: Method using graphite furnace atomic absorption spectrometry; 13. ISO 6561-2: Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of cadmium content — Part 2: Method using flame atomic absorption spectrometry; 14. ISO 6579: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the detection of Salmonella spp; 15. ISO 6637: Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of mercury content — Flameless atomic absorption method ; 16. ISO 6888-1: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of 2 17. coagulase-positive staphylococci (Staphylococcus aureus and other species); 18. ISO 7251: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of presumptive Escherichia coli — Most probable number technique; 19. ISO 7971: Cereals — Determination of bulk density, called mass per hectolitre — Part 2: Method of traceability for measuring instruments through reference to the international standard instrument; 20. ISO 9648: Sorghum — Determination of tannin; 21. ISO 11085: Cereals, cereals-based products and animal feeding stuffs — Determination of crude fat and total fat content by the Randall extraction method; 22. ISO 16050: Foodstuffs — Determination of aflatoxin B1, and the total content of aflatoxin B1, B2, G1 and G2 in cereals, nuts and derived products — High performance liquid chromatographic method; 23. ISO 20483: Cereals and pulses — Determination of the nitrogen content and calculation of the crude protein content — Kjeldahl method; 24. 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; and 25. ISO 27085: Animal feeding stuffs – Determination of calcium, sodium, phosphorus, magnesium, potassium, iron, zinc, copper, manganese, cobalt, molybdenum, arsenic, lead and cadmium by ICP- AES |
| **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:**  Director General  Malawi Bureau of Standards  P.O Box 946  Blantyre  Malawi  Telephone:+265 887 376 444  Fax: +265 1 870 756  Email: [info@mbsmw.org](mailto:info@mbsmw.org)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/MWI/23_1057_00_e.pdf> |