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): 22); (ICS code(s): 67.160.10) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DMS 208:2021, Opaque beer – Specification; (3 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This draft Malawi standard specifies the requirements, method of sampling and test for opaque beer. |
| **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: Labelling of prepacked foods – General standard; 2. MS 21: Food and food processing units – Code of hygienic conditions; 3. MS 23: Processed fruits and vegetables - Methods of test; 4. MS 214: Drinking water – Specification; 5. MS 237: Food additives – General standard; 6. MS 302: Contaminants and toxins in foods – General standard; 7. ISO 763: Fruit and vegetable products – Determination of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid; 8. ISO 1842: Fruits and Vegetables – Determination of pH; 9. ISO 2173: Fruit and vegetable products – Determination of soluble solids – Refractometric method 10. ISO 2448: Fruit and vegetable products – Determination of ethanol content; 11. ISO 4832: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the enumeration of coliforms – Colony-count technique; 12. 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; 13. ISO 6579: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the detection of Salmonella spp; 14. ISO 7251: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of presumptive Escherichia coli – Most probable number technique; and 15. 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. |
| **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_1111_00_e.pdf> |