NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** RWANDA  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Rwanda Standards Board (RSB)  KK 15 Rd, 49  P.O.BOX 7099, Kigali, Rwanda  Tel: +250 788303492  Email: [info@rsb.gov.rw](mailto:info@rsb.gov.rw)  Website: [www.rsb.gov.rw](http://www.rsb.gov.rw)  **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 [****],** **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):** Fruits, vegetables and derived products in general (ICS code(s): 67.080.01) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DRS 552: 2023, Vegetable juices and nectars — Specification; (15 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Working Draft Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for vegetable juices and nectars intended for direct human consumption or for further processing. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Quality requirements; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   1. AOAC 950.27, Solids (total) in non-alcoholic beverages 2. AOAC 979.17, Lead in evaporated milk and vegetable juice, Anodic stripping voltametric method 3. AOAC 980.19, Tin in food, Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometric method 4. AOAC 999.10, Lead, cadmium, zinc, copper and iron in food, Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry 5. ISO 17239, Vegetable s, vegetables and derived products — Determination of arsenic content — Method using hydride generation atomic absorption spectrometry 6. ISO 16649-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of beta-glucuronidase-positive Escherichia coli — Part 2: Colony-count technique at 44 degrees C using 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl beta-D-glucuronide 7. RS 164, Honey — Specification 8. RS CAC/RCP 1, General principles for food hygiene 9. RS CODEX STAN 192, General standard for food additives 10. RS CODEX STAN 212, Sugars — Specification 11. RS EAS 12, Potable water — Specification 12. RS EAS 38, General standard for labeling of prepackaged foods 13. RS EAS 803, General requirements for nutrition labelling 14. RS EAS 805, Guidelines for use of nutrition and health claims 15. RS ISO 2173, Vegetable and vegetable products — Determination of soluble solids —Refractometric method 16. RS ISO 4833-1, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of microorganisms — Part 1: Colony count at 30 degrees C by the pour plate technique 17. RS ISO 6579-1, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the detection of Salmonella spp. 18. RS 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 19. RS 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 [****]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  Rwanda Standards Board (RSB)  KK 15 Rd, 49  Toll Free: 3250  Tel: +250 788303492  Email: [info@rsb.gov.rw](mailto:info@rsb.gov.rw)  Website: [www.rsb.gov.rw](http://www.rsb.gov.rw)  P.O.BOX 7099, Kigali, Rwanda  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/RWA/23_0534_00_e.pdf> |