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):** Processes in the food industry (ICS code(s): 67.020) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DRS 184: 2023, Food Safety System based on Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) — Requirements for any organization in the Food Chain; (33 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft Rwanda standard specifies the requirements for a food safety system based on HACCP as a systematic preventative system of controlling food safety hazards so as to ensure the safety of food at the time of human consumption. The requirements enable an organization:  a) to plan, implement, maintain and update a HACCP based food safety system aimed at providing products that, according to their intended use, are safe for the consumer,  b) to effectively communicate food safety issues to their suppliers, customers and relevant interested parties in the food chain,  c) to ensure that it conforms to its stated food safety policy,  d) to demonstrate such conformity to relevant interested parties, and  e) to seek certification or registration of its HACCP based food safety system by an external organization, or make a self-assessment of conformity based on auditing technique and not on inspection or testing  The standard applies to all food handling organizations, regardless of size, which produce, manufacture, handle or supply food involved in one or more steps of the food chain. This includes organizations directly involved but not limited to feed producers, farmers, harvesters, producers of ingredients, food manufacturers, retailers, food services, catering services, organizations providing cleaning, transportation, storage and distribution services and other organizations indirectly involved including, but not limited to, suppliers of equipment, cleaning agents and packaging material, and other food contact materials. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   1. RS CAC/RCP 1, General principles for food hygiene. |
| **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_0576_00_e.pdf> |