



**NOTIFICATION**

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> BURUNDI, KENYA, RWANDA, TANZANIA, UGANDA <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS)
3.	<b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed (HS code(s): 100630); Cereals, pulses and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.060)
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> DEAS 128: 2026, Milled rice — Specification, Fifth Edition. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 12 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/TZA/26_02724_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/TZA/26_02724_00_e.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for milled rice of the varieties grown from rice grains ( <i>Oryza</i> spp.) intended for human consumption.  This standard also applies to milled parboiled rice.  Note: This Draft Tanzania Standard was also notified under TBT Committee.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. CXS 193, General standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed</li><li>2. EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods — General requirements</li><li>3. EAS 39, Hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry — Code of practice</li><li>4. EAS 764, Rough (paddy) rice — Specification</li><li>5. EAS 765, Brown rice — Specification</li><li>6. EAS 900, Cereals and pulses — Sampling</li><li>7. EAS 901, Cereals and pulses — Test methods</li><li>8. ISO 6579-1, Microbiology of the food chain — Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of <i>Salmonella</i> — Part 1: Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp.</li><li>9. ISO 6888-1, Microbiology of the food chain — Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulase-positive staphylococci (<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> and other species) — Part 1: Method using Baird-Parker agar medium</li><li>10. ISO 16649-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of beta-glucuronidase-positive <i>Escherichia coli</i> — Part 2: Colony-count technique at 44 degrees C using 5- bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl beta-D-glucuronide</li><li>11. 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</li></ol>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined and notified. <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 July 2026 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> [ ] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Tanzania Bureau of Standards Ubungu, Morogoro Road/Sam Nujoma Road P. O. Box 9524 DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA Tel: +(255 22) 245 0298 +(255 22) 245 0206 Fax: +(255 22) 245 0959 E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@tbs.go.tz">info@tbs.go.tz</a> Website: <a href="http://www.tbs.go.tz">http://www.tbs.go.tz</a></p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> [ ] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Tanzania Bureau of Standards Ubungu, Morogoro Road/Sam Nujoma Road P. O. Box 9524 DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA Tel: +(255 22) 245 0298 +(255 22) 245 0206 Fax: +(255 22) 245 0959 E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@tbs.go.tz">info@tbs.go.tz</a> Website: <a href="http://www.tbs.go.tz">http://www.tbs.go.tz</a></p>