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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN, THE STATE OF KUWAIT, OMAN, QATAR, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, YEMEN  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Saudi Food and Drug Authority |
| **3.** | **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):** Flavoured drink (ICS code: 67.160.20) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[X] All trading partners**  **[ ] Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia/The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf draft Technical Regulation for General Standard for fruit juices, nectars and drink. **Language(s):** English and Arabic. **Number of pages:** 24 and 33  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/SAU/24_04039_00_e.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/SAU/24_04039_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This draft technical regulation applies to fruit juices and nectars, fresh fruit juice (unpasteurized), fruit drink, dairy fruit drink (smoothie) and concentrated fruit syrup (squash or cordial). |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** CODEX STAN 247-2005  **[ ] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ] None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[X] Yes [ ] No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) Standards for 2.3.21 Cordial (Squash) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:**  **[ ] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 26 August 2024  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Saudi Food and Drug Authority  SFDA - Northern Ring Branch Road, Dist Unit number : 1 4904 Dist، Riyadh 6336  Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222  Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825  E-mail: [SPSEP.Food@sfda.gov.sa](mailto:SPSEP.Food@sfda.gov.sa)  Website: <http://www.sfda.gov.sa> |
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