NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Kenya**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Kenya Bureau of Standards |
| **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):** Arrowroots |
| **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:** KS 2842:2018 Fresh Arrowroots (Taro) *-* Specification. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 13<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/KEN/18_6295_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Kenya standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for edible varieties of arrowroots (also referred to as cocoyam or taro), *Colocasia esculenta* (L.) Schott of the Araceae family intended for human consumption. |
| **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:****[ ]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:****[ ]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[****X] None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?** **[ ]** **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:** Not applicable  |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** March 2019**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** March 2019 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** Upon declaration as mandatory by the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Co-operatives.**[****X] Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 29 December 2018**Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS)P.O. Box: 54974-00200, Nairobi, KenyaTel: +(254) 020 605490+(254) 020 605506+(254) 020 6948258Fax: +(254) 020 609660+(254) 020 609665E-mail: info@kebs.org; Website: <http://www.kebs.org> |
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