NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Uganda**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Uganda National 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):** Chocolate, chocolate products |
| **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:** DUS DEAS 1033:2020, Chocolate and chocolate products - Specification, First Edition.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 15<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/UGA/20_7494_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Uganda Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for chocolate and chocolate products 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:****[****X]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** CXS 87-1981, Standard for Chocolate and Chocolate Products**[ ]****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:** * Uganda Gazette,
* EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods - General requirements;
* EAS 39, Hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry - Code of practice;
* AOAC 963.15, Fat in Cacao Products;
* AOAC 931.05, Cacao Mass (Fat-Free) of Chocolate Liquor;
* AOAC 945.34, Fat (Milk) in Milk Chocolate;
* AOAC 920.80, Milk Fat in Milk Chocolate;
* AOAC 999.10, Lead, Cadmium, Zinc, Copper, and Iron in Foods - Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry after Microwave Digestion;
* AOAC 999.11, Determination of Lead, Cadmium, Copper, Iron, and Zinc in Foods;
* AOAC 973.34, Cadmium in Food;
* AOAC 986.15, Arsenic, Cadmium, Lead, Selenium, and Zinc in Human and Pet Foods;
* CODEX STAN 234, Methods of Analysis and Sampling;
* CODEX STAN 192, General standard for food additives;
* ISO 16654, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the detection of *Escherichia coli* O157;
* ISO 6579-1, Microbiology of the food chain - Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of Salmonella - Part 1: Detection of *Salmonella* spp.;
* 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;
* 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.

(available in English) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** June 2021**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** Upon declaration as mandatory by the Minister for Trade, Industry and Cooperatives.**[****X]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 5 February 2021**Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Uganda National Bureau of StandardsPlot 2-12 ByPass Link, Bweyogerere Industrial and Business ParkP.O. Box 6329Kampala, UgandaTel: +(256) 4 1733 3250/1/2Fax: +(256) 4 1428 6123E-mail: info@unbs.go.ugWebsite: <https://www.unbs.go.ug> |
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