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):** Fresh or dried bananas (excluding plantains) (HS code(s): 080390); Fruits and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.080.10); Cooking banana; Matooke |
| **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 997:2021, Cooking banana (matooke) - Specification, Second Edition.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 14[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/UGA/23\_13265\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/UGA/23_13265_00_e.pdf%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements for cooking banana (matooke) grown from Musa spp. (AAA-EAH) and of family Musaceae to be supplied raw to the consumer |
| **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 205-1997 Standard for Bananas**[****]** **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:** 1. US EAS 38 Labelling of pre-packaged foods - General requirements
2. US 28 EAS 39, Code of practice for hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry
3. US EAS 803, Nutrition labelling - Requirements US EAS 805, Use of nutrition and health claims - Requirements
4. US 738, General standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed
5. CAC/RCP 44, Code of practice for packaging and transport of fresh fruits and vegetables
6. US 997:2014, Cooking banana (matooke) - Specification
7. CODEX STAN 205-1997, AMD. 1-2005, Codex Standard for Bananas
8. www.traditionaltree.org
9. Uganda Gazette

(available in English)  |
| **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: [****]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.**[****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)*:** 31 December 2023**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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