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):** Green tea |
| **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 921, Green tea - Specification, Second Edition. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 15  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/UGA/18_4520_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for green tea of Camellia Sinensis (L) O. Kuntze. This standard is not applicable to green tea subject to further processing such as decaffeination, further roasting etc. |
| **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:**  Uganda Gazette:   * EAS 38, Labelling of Pre-packaged foods - General requirements; * EAS 39, Hygiene in the food and drink industry- Code of practice; * ISO 1572: 1980, Tea - Preparation of ground sample of known dry matter content; * ISO 1573: 1980, Tea - Determination of loss in mass at 103 degrees C; * ISO 1575: 1987, Tea - Determination of total ash; * ISO 1576: 1988, Tea - Determination of water-soluble ash and water-insoluble ash; * ISO 1577: 1987, Tea - Determination of acid-insoluble ash; * ISO 1578: 1975, Tea - Determination of alkalinity of water-soluble ash; * ISO 1839: 1980, Tea - Sampling; * ISO 3103, Tea - Preparation of liquor for use in sensory tests; * ISO 5498: 1981, Agricultural food products - Determination of crude fibre content - General Method; * ISO 6579, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the detection of *Salmonella* spp.; * ISO 6888-1, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulase-positive staphylococci (*Staphylococcus aureus* and other species); * ISO 7251, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of presumptive *Escherichia coli* - Most probable number technique; * ISO 9768: 1990, Tea - Determination of water extract; * ISO 14502-1, Determination of substances characteristic of green and black tea – Part 1: Content of total polyphenols in tea - Colorimetric method using Folin - Ciocalteu reagent; * ISO 14502-2, Determination of substances characteristic of green and black tea – Part 2: Content of catechins in green tea - Method using high-performance liquid chromatography; * ISO 15598, Tea - Determination of crude fibre content; * ISO 16649-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the enumeration of glucuronidase-positive *Escherichia coli* - Part 2: Colony-count technique at 44 °C using 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl-D-glucuronide; * 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. |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** December 2018  **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)*:** 20 October 2018  **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 Standards  Plot 2-12 ByPass Link, Bweyogerere Industrial and Business Park  P.O. Box 6329  Kampala  Uganda  Tel: +(256) 4 1733 3250/1/2  Fax: +(256) 4 1428 6123  E-mail: info@unbs.go.ug  Website: <http://www.unbs.go.ug> |
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