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 chilled aubergines "eggplants" (HS code(s): 070930); Vegetables and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.080.20) |
| **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:** DUS DARS 973:2024, Fresh Aubergines — Specification, First edition. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 16  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/UGA/24_08228_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft Uganda Standard applies to aubergines of varieties (cultivars) grown from *Solanum melongena* L. var. *esculentum*, *insanum* and *ovigerum*, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, aubergines for industrial processing being excluded. According to their shape a distinction is made between: a) elongated aubergines (including club shaped, cylindrical, ellipsoid and pear shaped); and b) globus aubergines/ round aubergines (including oval shaped). |
| **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 330-2018, Standard for Aubergines  **[ ] 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:**   * CAC/GL 21, Principles for the Establishment and Application of Microbiological Criteria for Foods * CAC/RCP 1, Recommended International Code of Practice — General Principles of Food Hygiene * CAC/RCP 44, Recommended International Code of Practice for the Packaging and Transport of Tropical Fresh Fruit and Vegetables * CAC/RCP 53, Code of Hygienic Practice for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables * ARS 53, General principles of food hygiene — Code of practice * ARS 56, Pre-packaged foods — Labelling * CXS 330-2018 adopted in 2018, Standard for aubergines * UNECE standard ffv-05 concerning the marketing and commercial quality control of aubergines, 2017 edition * 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)*:** 7 February 2025  **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](mailto:info@unbs.go.ug)  Website: <https://www.unbs.go.ug> |
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