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):** Dried vegetables and mixtures of vegetables, whole, cut, sliced, broken or in powder, but not further prepared (excl. onions, mushrooms and truffles, not mixed) (HS code(s): 071290); Vegetables and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.080.20); Dried herbs for food use |
| **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 2113: 2024, Dried vegetables and herbs for food use — Specification, First edition. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 20  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/UGA/24_08396_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for dried vegetables and herbs for food use, offered for direct consumption or further processing, including for catering purposes or for repackaging, if required. This standard does not apply to vegetables powder/flour and herbs for which specific standards have been declared.  Note: This Draft Uganda Standard was also notified to the TBT Committee. |
| **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:**   1. ARS 53, General principles of food hygiene — Code of practice 2. ARS 56, Prepackaged foods — Labelling 3. CXG 2, Nutritional labelling 4. CXS 192, General standard for food additives 5. ARS 471, Food grade salt — Specification 6. CXS 193, Codex general standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed 7. ISO 712, Cereals and cereal products — Determination of moisture content — Reference method 8. ISO 763, Fruit and vegetable products — Determination of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid 9. ISO 4833 (all parts), Microbiology of the food chain — Horizontal method for the enumeration of microorganisms 10. ISO 5498, Agricultural food products — Determination of crude fibre content — General method 11. ISO 6561-1, Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of cadmium content — Part 1: Method using graphite furnace atomic absorption spectrometry 12. ISO 6561-2, Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of cadmium content — Part 2: Method using flame atomic absorption spectrometry 13. ISO 6633, Fruit and vegetables products — Determination of lead content — Flameless atomic absorption spectrometric method 14. 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 15. ISO 16649-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of *beta-glucuronidase-positive* *Escherichia coli* — Part 2: Colony-count technique at 44 degrees C using 5- bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl beta-D-glucuronide 16. ISO 6888-1, Microbiology of the food chain — Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulasepositive *staphylococci* (*Staphylococcus aureus* and other species) — Part 1: Technique using Baird- Parker agar medium 17. 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)*:** 14 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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