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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: TANZANIA
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS)
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): Cheese and curd (HS code(s): 0406); Cheese (ICS code(s): 67.100.30)
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: DARS 1046:2025, Blended Mozzarella cheese — Specification, First Edition. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 10
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/TZA/25 05423 00 e.pdf
6.	Description of content: This African Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for blended Mozzarella cheese intended for direct human consumption or for further processing.
	Note: This Draft Tanzania Standard was also notified under 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, Labelling of Prepackaged Foods
- 3. ARS 1034, Dairy Industry Glossary of terms
- 4. CXS 192, General Standard for Food Additives
- 5. CXS 193, General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed
- 6. ISO 707, Milk and milk products Guidance on sampling
- 7. ISO 6579-1, Microbiology of the food chain Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of Salmonella Part 1: Detection of Salmonella spp.
- 8. ISO 6888-1, Microbiology of the food chain Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulase-positive staphylococci (*Staphylococcus aureus* and other species) Part 1: Method using Baird-Parker agar medium
- 9. ISO 11290-1, Microbiology of the food chain Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of Listeria monocytogenes and of *Listeria* spp. Part 1: Detection method
- 10. ISO 14501, Milk and milk powder Determination of aflatoxin M1 content Clean-up by immunoaffinity chromatography and determination by high-performance liquid chromatography
- 11. ISO 23319, Cheese and processed cheese products- Determination of fat content Gravimetric method (Reference method)
- 12. ISO 16649-1, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs Horizontal method for the enumeration of betaglucuronidase-positive *Escherichia coli* Part 1: Colony-count technique at 44 degrees C using membranes and 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl beta-D-glucuronide
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined and notified.
 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):
 - [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 2025

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