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**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures** 

## NOTIFICATION

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1.	Notifying Member: BURUNDI, KENYA, RWANDA, TANZANIA, UGANDA
	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): Cloves, whole fruit, cloves and stems, crushed or ground (HS code(s): 090720); Spices and condiments (ICS code(s): 67.220.10)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[ ] Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> DEAS 918: 2025, Cloves, whole and ground (powdered) — Specification, Second Edition. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 13 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/TZA/25">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/TZA/25</a> 06580 00 e.pdf
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This East African Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for for whole and ground (powdered) cloves [Syzygium aromaticum (L.) Merril & Perry].  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:
	CXS 193, General standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed

2. EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods — Specification

3. EAS 39, Hygiene in the food and drink industry — Code of practice

- 4. EAS 803, Nutrition labelling Requirements
- 5. EAS 804, Claims on foods General requirements
- 6. ISO 928, Spices and condiments Determination of total ash
- 7. ISO 930, Spices and condiments Determination of acid-insoluble ash
- 8. ISO 939, Spices and condiments Determination of moisture content Entrainment method
- 9. ISO 948, Spices and condiments Sampling
- 10. ISO 4833-1, Microbiology of the food chain Horizontal method for the enumeration of micro-organisms Part 1: Colony-count at 30 °C Pour plate technique
- 11. ISO 5498, Agricultural food products Determination of crude fibre content General method
- 12. ISO 6571, Spices and condiments Determination of volatile oil content (Hydrodistillation method)
- 13. ISO 6579, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs Part 6: Horizontal method for the detection of *Salmonella* spp.
- 14. ISO 7251, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of presumptive *Escherichia coli* Most probable number technique
- 15. ISO 16050, Foodstuffs Determination of aflatoxin B1, and the total content of aflatoxins B1, B2, G1 and G2 in cereals, nuts and derived products
- 16. 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***):** To be determined and notified.

**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): 1 December 2025

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