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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>TANZANIA</u> 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: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: AFDC 14 (3726) DTZS, Group of cheeses in brine (FETA) – Specification, First Edition. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 7 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/TZA/26_01420_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: This Tanzania standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for cheeses in brine intended for direct consumption or for further processing. Note: This Draft Tanzania Standard was also notified under TBT Committee.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TZS 4, Rounding off numerical values 2. TZS 109, Food processing units — Code of hygiene 3. TZS 112, Milk — Production, processing, transportation and distribution — Code of hygiene 4. TZS 118, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for enumeration of micro-organisms — Colony count technique at 30 °C 5. TZS 119, Microbiology — General guidance for the enumeration of coliforms — Most Probable Number technique (MPN) 6. TZS 122 – Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp. 7. TZS 124, Milk and milk products — Sampling for microbiological examination 8. TZS 125 – Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs – Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulase-positive staphylococci (<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> and other species) – Part 1: Technique using Baird-parker agar medium – Amendment 1: Inclusion of precision data 9. TZS 131, Microbiology — General guidance for enumeration of yeast and moulds — Colony count technique at 25 °C 10. TZS 268, General atomic absorption spectrophotometric method for determination of lead in food stuffs 11. TZS 799, Food stuffs – Determination of aflatoxin B1 and the total content 12. TZS 450, Cheese methods of sampling and test 13. TZS 538, Packaging and labeling of foods 14. TZS 852-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for detection and enumeration of listeria monocytogenes — Enumeration method 15. TZS 1292, Cheese and processed cheese products — Determination of fat content — Gravimetric method 16. TZS 1291, Cheese and processed cheese products — Determination of total solid content 17. TZS 731, Microbiology of food and feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for detection and enumeration of presumptive <i>Escherichia Coli</i> — Most Probable Number Technique
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined and notified. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 May 2026</p> <p>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:</p> <p>Tanzania Bureau of Standards Ubungo, Morogoro Road/Sam Nujoma Road P. O. Box 9524 DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA Tel: +(255 22) 245 0298 +(255 22) 245 0206 Fax: +(255 22) 245 0959 E-mail: info@tbs.go.tz Website: http://www.tbs.go.tz</p>

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