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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EGYPT</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Motadarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo - Egypt Tel: +(202) 228 45 528, +(202) 228 45 522, +(202) 228 45 224 Fax: +(202) 228 45 504 E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg/tbteos@eos.org.eg Website: <a href="http://www.eos.org.eg">http://www.eos.org.eg</a>
<b>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):</b> Food grade salt
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Ministerial Decree No. 536 for the year 2015 concerning the modified Egyptian Standard ES 273-1/2015 "Sodium Chloride Part 1: Food salt" that supersedes its last edition in 2005 that has already been mandated by Ministerial Decree No. 515/2005 <b>Language(s):</b> Arabic <b>Number of pages:</b> 9
<b>6. Description of content:</b> This Ministerial Decree provides producers and importers a transitional period of six months to comply with the modified Egyptian Standard ES 273-1/2015 "Sodium Chloride part 1: Food salt" that supersedes ES No. 273-1/2005 "Sodium Chloride part 1: Food salt" that has already been mandated by Ministerial Decree No. 515/2005.  This standard complies with Codex Standard No.150/1985 for food grade salt and B.S No. 998/1990 Amend 2006 "Specification for Vacuum Salt for food use".  This standard specifies the essential requirements and descriptive criteria for food grade salt fortified with Iodine.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)</b> Codex Standard No. 150/1985 for food grade salt <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)</b>

<p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM number</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Codex Stand. No. 150 - 1985 (Rev.1 - 1997, Amend 1 - 1999, Amend 2 - 2001) for food grade salt</li> <li>- BS No. 998 /1990 Amend 2006 Specification for Vacuum salt for food use</li> <li>- Ministerial Decree No. 536/2015</li> <li>- Ministerial Decree No. 515/2005</li> </ul>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>):</b> 21 July 2015</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>):</b> 11 August 2015</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): 12 August 2015</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): 14 December 2015</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Central Administration for Foreign Agricultural Relations  Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation  Nadi El Saïd St., Dokki, Giza, Egypt  Tel: +(202) 333 76 589  +(202) 374 90 805  Fax: +(202) 374 90 805  E-mail: enq_egy_sps@yahoo.com</p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Central Administration for Foreign Agricultural Relations  Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation  Nadi El Saïd St., Dokki, Giza, Egypt  Tel: +(202) 333 76 589  +(202) 374 90 805  Fax: +(202) 374 90 805  E-mail: enq_egy_sps@yahoo.com</p>