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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>UGANDA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Uganda National Bureau of Standards
<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> Dried vegetables and herbs
<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> DUS 889:2021, Dried vegetables and herbs for use - Specification, Second Edition. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 24 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/UGA/21_2994_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/UGA/21_2994_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> This Uganda Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for dried vegetables and herbs offered for direct consumption or further processing, including for catering purposes or for repackaging if required. This draft standard does not apply to dried vegetables and herbs for which specific standards have been declared.
<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 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 <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

**9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**

- US 45, General standard for food additives;
  - US 640, Code of practice for the production, handling and processing of solar dried fruits;
  - US 738, General standard for contaminants and toxins in foods;
  - AOAC 934.06, Determination of the moisture content for dried fruits;
  - US EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods - General requirements;
  - US EAS 39, Code of practice for hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry;
  - US ISO 4833-1, Microbiology of the food chain - Horizontal method for the enumeration of microorganisms - Part 1: Colony count at 30 degrees C by the pour plate technique;
  - US ISO 4832, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the enumeration of coliforms - Colony-count technique;
  - US EAS 803, Nutrition labelling - Requirements;
  - US EAS 804, Claims on food - Requirements;
  - US EAS 805, Use of nutrition and health claims - Requirements;
  - US ISO 763, Fruit and vegetable products - Determination of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid;
  - US ISO 6561-1, Fruits, vegetables and derived products - Determination of cadmium content - Part 1: Method using graphite furnace atomic absorption spectrometry;
  - US ISO 6561-2, Fruits, vegetables and derived products - Determination of cadmium content - Part 2: Method using flame atomic absorption spectrometry;
  - US ISO 7251, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of presumptive *Escherichia coli* - Most probable number technique;
  - US 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;
  - US 889:2011, Dried vegetables and herbs for use - Specification;
  - DKS 435:2018, Dehydrated vegetables - Specification;
  - Uganda Gazette.
- (available in English)

**10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):** September 2021

**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):** Upon declaration as mandatory by the Minister for Trade, Industry and Cooperatives.

**[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):** 26 June 2021

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