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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1.	**Notifying Member:** UGANDA **If applicable, name of local government involved:**
2.	**Agency responsible:** Uganda National Bureau of Standards
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):** Fresh chilli peppers
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:** DEAS 332:2021, Fresh chilli peppers - Specification, Second Edition. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 14 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/UGA/21_5657_00_e.pdf
6.	**Description of content:** This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements for fresh chilli peppers of varieties (cultivars) grown from *Capsicum annuum*, *C. baccatum*, *C. chinense*, *C. frutescens* and *C. pubescens*, to be supplied fresh to the consumer. This standard does not cover requirements for chilli peppers for industrial processing. Note: Chilli peppers with a minimum pungency of 900 on the Scoville Index. For levels of pungency see the Annex B. Note: This Draft East African Standard was also notified to the 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:** **[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** CXS 307-2011, Standard for Chilli Peppers **[ ] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[ ] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[ ] None** **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?** **[X] 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:**

- CAC/RCP 44, Code of practice for packaging and transport of fresh fruit and vegetables
- CAC/RCP 53, Code of hygienic practice for fresh fruits and vegetables
- CODEX STAN 193, General standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed
- EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods - General requirements
- ISO 874, Fresh fruits and vegetables - Sampling
- ISO 3513:1995, Chillies - Determination of Scoville index
- US 999:2013, Fresh chilli pepper - Specification
- EAS 332:2002, Fresh capsicums- Specification
- UNECE STANDARD FFV-61, Chilli peppers 2017 edition
- CODEXSTAN 307-2011, Standard for chilli peppers
- Uganda Gazette

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10. **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.

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)*:** 7 November 2021

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