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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>BURUNDI</u> , <u>KENYA</u> , <u>RWANDA</u> , <u>TANZANIA</u> , <u>UGANDA</u> 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): Maize seed for sowing (HS code(s): 100510); Plant growing (ICS code(s): 65.020.20)
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 821:2024, Maize seed — Requirements for certification, Second edition. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 22
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/UGA/24 03067 00 e.pdf
6.	Description of content: This Draft East African Standard specifies the certification requirements for the production of pre-basic, basic and certified seed of maize (<i>Zea mays</i> L.). It includes requirements for eligible varieties, field standards, field inspections, seed sampling, laboratory standards, certificates, packaging, labelling and post-control tests.
	Note: This Draft Uganda Standard was also notified to the TBT Committee.
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] 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:

- Kenya Gazette Supplement 217, Acts N 53, 2012, the Seeds and Plant Varieties Act. Nairobi Kenya
- 2. Seed Regulations 2007, Seed Act N18, 2003 Republic of Tanzania
- 3. Seeds and Plant Act of Uganda, 2006
- 4. Rwanda Seed Law # 14/2003.
- 5. ASARECA, Seed Certification Standards for ten crops of the Major Economic Importance in EAST
- 6. Africa and Rwanda. July 2007 Obongo Nyachae STAK
- 7. Harmonization of Seed Policies and Regulations in Eastern Africa. ECAPAPA, ASARECA September 2002
- 8. Kenya Seed Sector Baseline Study, by Evans Olonyi Sikinyi, Seed Trade Association of Kenya, STAK, AFSTA 2010
- 9. Rwanda Seed Sector Baseline Study, AFSTA 2010
- 10. Uganda Seed Sector Baseline Study, Ruth N. Ssebuliba, Uganda Seed Trade Association (USTA), AFSTA 2010
- 11. Burundi Seed Sector Baseline Study, Mr Juvent Baramburiye, AFSTA 2010
- 12. Principles of Seed Science and Technology. L.O. Copeland & M.B. McDonald. Second Edition 1985
- 13. CABI, Crop Protection Compendium, 2013
- 14. OECD Document TAD/CA/S/RD/2008/12/REV2, April 2009
- 15. UPOV Convention Act 1991
- 16. IOWA CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION (ICIA), Certification Standards 2009
- 17. Corn Inspector Training Manual, ICIA Ames Iowa 2009
- 18. Association of Official Seed Analysts (AOSA) Cultivar Purity Testing Handbook
- 19. The seeds and plant regulations for Uganda 2011
- 20. ISTA Handbook on Seedling Evaluation
- 21. OECD Seed Schemes; Rules and Regulations 2013

(available in English)

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): 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): 5 July 2024

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