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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

1.	Notifying Member: TANZANIA
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Tanzania 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 watermelons (HS code(s): 080711); Fruits and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.080.10)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[ ] Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> AFDC 26 (3074) DTZS:2024, Fresh watermelon - Specification. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 9
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TZA/24 07466 00 e.pdf
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test of watermelons of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Citrullus lanatus</i> to be supplied fresh to the consumer, watermelons for industrial processing being excluded.
	Note: This Draft Tanzania Standard was also notified under 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:
	[ ] 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:
  - 1. TZS 4, Rounding off numerical values
  - 2. TZS 109, General principles of food hygiene Code of practice
  - 3. TZS 122, Foodstuffs- Microbial examination for Salmonella spp.
  - 4. TZS 131, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuff General guidance for enumeration of yeast and moulds Colony count technique at 25oC
  - 5. TZS 552, Code of Hygienic Practice for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
  - 6. TZS 538, Pre -packaged food labelling general requirements
  - 7. TZS 729, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs -Horizontal method for the enumeration of coliforms Colony count technique
  - 8. TZS 730-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs Horizontal method for the enumeration of -b-glucuronidase-positive *Escherichia coli* Part 2 Colony count technique at 440C using 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl-b-D-glucuronide
  - 9. TZS 1002, Fresh fruits and vegetables Sampling
  - 10. TZS 1003, Guide to the prepacking of fruits and vegetables
  - 11. TZS 1743 National standard for good agricultural practices (GAP) and good handling practices for fresh fruits and vegetables
  - 12. Codex Stan 193 General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed
  - 13. Codex pesticide residues in food online data base (available in English)
- **10. Proposed date of adoption** (*dd/mm/yy*): To be determined and notified.

**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): 31 December 2024

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