NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** MALAWI  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Malawi Bureau of Standards  **Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:**  Director General  Malawi Bureau of Standards  P.O Box 946  Blantyre  Malawi  Telephone:+265 887 376 444  Fax: +265 1 870 756  Email: [info@mbsmw.org](mailto:info@mbsmw.org) |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** (HS code(s): 1107); (ICS code(s): 67.140.30) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DMS 2067:2024, Malt-based cocoa products – Specification  ; (5 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:**  This draft Malawi standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for malt-based cocoa products presented as powders and granules for human consumption. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Quality requirements; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   1. MS 19: Labelling of prepacked foods – General standard 2. MS 21: Food and food processing units – Code of hygienic conditions 3. MS 188: Edible salt – Specification 4. MS 202: Fortified white sugar – Specification 5. MS 203: Glucose syrup – Specification 6. MS 205: Icing sugar – Specification 7. MS 237: Food additives – General standard 8. MS 302: Contaminants and toxins in food and feed – General standard 9. MS 366: Honey – Specification 10. MS 1446: Cocoa powder and cocoa powder mixtures – Specification 11. MS 1510: Tea – Determination of acid-insoluble ash 12. ISO 2171: Cereals, pulses and by-products – Determination of ash yield by incineration 13. ISO 4831: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of coliforms 14. ISO 7251: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of presumptive Escherichia coli 15. ISO 6579-1: Microbiology of the food chain Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of Salmonella Part 1: Detection of Salmonella spp. 16. ISO 6888-3: Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulase-positive staphylococci (Staphylococcus aureus and other species) Part 3: Detection and MPN technique for low numbers 17. ISO 15141: Cereals and cereal products Determination of ochratoxin A - High performance liquid chromatographic method with immunoaffinity column cleanup and fluorescence detection 18. ISO 16050: Determination of aflatoxin B1, and the total content of aflatoxins B1, B2, G1 and G2 in cereals, nuts and derived products High-performance liquid chromatographic method 19. 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 20. AOAC 931.04: Loss on drying (moisture) in cacao products – Gravimetric method 21. AOAC 970.21: pH of cacao products. Potentiometric method 22. CXG 50: General guidelines on sampling |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  Director General  Malawi Bureau of Standards  P.O Box 946  Blantyre  Malawi  Telephone:+265 887 376 444  Fax: +265 1 870 756  Email: [info@mbsmw.org](mailto:info@mbsmw.org)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/MWI/24_06425_00_e.pdf> |