NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** TANZANIA  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS)  MOROGORO/Sam Nujoma Road, Ubungo  P O BOX 9524, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania  Tel: +255 222450206,  E- mail: [nep@tbs.go.tz](mailto:nep@tbs.go.tz)  Website: [www.tbs.go.tz](http://www.tbs.go.tz)  **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:** |
| **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):** Sacks and bags, of paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres, having a base of a width of >= 40 cm (HS code(s): 481930); Sacks. Bags (ICS code(s): 55.080) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DARS 1708, Paper bags — Specification; (13 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft African Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for gusseted paper bags which are intended primarily for packaging and/or carrying items. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Quality requirements; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * KS 2523:2014, Paper bags —Specification * ISO 535, Paper and board — Determination of water absorptiveness — Cobb method * ISO 536, Paper and board — Determination of grammage * ISO 1974, Paper — Determination of tearing resistance — Elmendorf method * ISO 2758, Paper — Determination of bursting strength ARS -1711 Paper and board food contact packaging material * ISO 11093-4, Paper and board — Testing of cores — Part 4: Measurement of dimensions * ISO 7023:1983 Packaging - Sacks - Method of sampling empty sacks for testing. ISO 6590-1, Packaging — Sacks — Vocabulary and types — Part 1: Paper sacks * ISO 8367-1 Packaging — Dimensional tolerances for general purpose sacks — Part 1: Paper sacks * ISO 6591-1, Packaging - Sacks – Description and method of measurement - Part 1: Empty paper Sacks |
| **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:**  Contact person(s):  Ms. Bahati Samillani (NEP officer) and Mr. Clavery Chausi  Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS)  Morogoro/Sam Nujoma Road, Ubungo  P O Box 9524  Dar Es Salaam  Tel: +(255) 22 2450206  Email: [nep@tbs.go.tz](mailto:nep@tbs.go.tz); [bahati.samillani@tbs.go.tz](mailto:bahati.samillani@tbs.go.tz)  Website: <http://www.tbs.go.tz>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/TZA/23_1861_00_e.pdf> |