NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Kenya  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Kenya 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):** Ground Meat |
| **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:** KS 2844:2018 Fresh coarsely ground meat products - specification. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 9  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/KEN/18_6293_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This standard prescribes the quality and safety requirements, methods of sampling and test of fresh coarsely ground meat products. These include, but not limited to, meat balls, patties, meat burgers, meat rolls and ground kebabs that are intended for further processing before consumption. |
| **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:**   * The Food, Drugs and Chemical Substances Act, Cap 254 of the Laws of Kenya. * International Commission on Microbiological Specifications for Foods – Micro - organisms in Foods, Book 8. |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** March 2019  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** March 2019 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** Upon declaration as mandatory by the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Co-operatives.  **[****X] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 23 December 2018  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS)  P.O. Box: 54974-00200, Nairobi, Kenya  Tel: +(254) 020 605490  +(254) 020 605506  +(254) 020 6948258  Fax: +(254) 020 609660  +(254) 020 609665  E-mail: info@kebs.org;  Website: <http://www.kebs.org> |
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