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Labelling of cosmetics — Requirements

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Foreword

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Labelling of cosmetics — General requirements

1 Scope

This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements for the labelling of cosmetic products.

This Draft East African Standard applies to all cosmetic products as defined in 3.1 and specified in EAS 334.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EAS 334 *List by category of cosmetic products*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at http://www.iso.org/obp

3.1
cosmetic product
any substance or preparation intended to be placed in contact with the various external parts of the human body (epidermis, hair system, nails, lips and external genital organs) or with the teeth and the mucous membranes of the oral cavity with a view exclusively or mainly to cleaning them, perfuming them, changing their appearance and/or correcting body odours and/or protecting them or keeping them in good condition

3.2
ingredient
any chemical substance or preparation of synthetic or natural origin, used in the composition of cosmetic products, and present in the final product.

3.3
responsible person
manufacturer, manufacturer's agent, person who first supplies the cosmetic product in the EAC region, if the manufacturer and (where applicable) the person to whose order the product is manufactured are outside the EAC region, and the manufacturer has no agent in the region

3.4
claim
any message or representation including pictorial, graphic, symbolic or any form of representation, which states, suggests or implies that a cosmetic has particular characteristics relating to its origin, function, nature, composition or any other characteristics

3.5
composition of a cosmetic
ingredients contained in a cosmetic product and their proportions

3.6
container
bottle, jar, box, packet, sachet or other receptacle which contains or is to contain a cosmetic

3.7
cosmetic
any article intended to be used by means of rubbing, pouring, steaming, sprinkling, spraying on or otherwise applied to the human body or any part thereof for cleansing, beautifying, promoting attractiveness or altering the appearance and includes any article intended for use as component of a cosmetic, such article exclude articles intended beside the above purposes for use in the diagnosis, treatment or prevention of diseases and those intended to affect the structure or any function of the body

3.8
leaflet of a cosmetic
printed piece of paper or a little book containing information about a particular product

3.9
manufacturer of cosmetic
any person/business involved in the production, processing, compounding, formulating, filling, refining, transforming, packing, packaging, repackaging and labelling of the cosmetics

3.10
package
any box, packet or any other article in which one or more containers of cosmetics are to be enclosed in one or more other boxes, packets or article in question, the collective number thereof

3.11
fragrance
substance used as an ingredient of cosmetic solely to impart odour to the product

3.12
label of a cosmetic
any tag, brand, mark, pictorial or other descriptive matter, written, printed, stencilled, marked, embossed or impressed on or attached to a container of any cosmetic

3.13
“INCI”
International Nomenclature Cosmetic Ingredient

3.14
“CFTA”
Cosmetic, Toiletry and Fragrance Association

4 Labelling and marking

4.1 General requirements

4.1.1 The labelling shall be in English and/or any other official language (French, Kiswahili, etc) used in the importing East African Partner State.

4.1.2 The responsible person shall provide to the competent authority, the product's information as defined in Annex A.

4.1.3 The cosmetic products shall not be described or presented on any label by words, pictorial and other devices, in a manner that is deceptive, false, misleading or is likely to create an erroneous impression regarding its character in any respect.

4.1.4 Where it is impracticable, for reasons of size or shape, for the particulars outlined in 4.2 to appear on the package or container, those particulars shall appear on a label, tag, tape, or card attached to the product, or an enclosed leaflet.

4.1.5 The information in Clause 4 shall be provided in addition to any other labelling requirements outlined in specific East African standards.

4.2 Specific requirements

All containers or packages packed with cosmetic products shall be labelled and marked with the following information in indelible, easily legible and visible lettering:

a) name of the cosmetic product;

b) type of the cosmetic product;

c) intended use of the cosmetic product;

d) instructions of use of the cosmetic product, where applicable;

e) net content given by weight or volume, in metric system;

f) name and address of the manufacturer, importer and/or distributor ;

g) country of origin;

h) batch number in code or otherwise;

i) precautions and warnings, where applicable;

j) storage condition where applicable;

k) date of manufacture in the form ”mm/yyyy”;

l) expiry/best before date in the form ”mm/yyyy” :

(i) shelf life of the product after opening where applicable. Pictorial presentation may be used;

(ii) products that have a shelf life of 30 months and less shall be marked with the expiry date. The manufacturer or his agent or the person to whose order a Cosmetic product is manufactured or the person responsible for placing an imported cosmetic product on the market shall ensure that the information outlined in Annex A is easily accessible to the competent authority; and

(iii) for products with a shelf life greater than 30 months: The best before date shall be labelled, and the manufacturer, his agent or the person to whose order a cosmetic product is manufactured or the person responsible for placing an imported cosmetic product on the market shall provide a dossier containing the information outlined in Annex A to the competent authority before placing the product on the market;

m) list of ingredients:

i. the list of ingredients shall be declared in descending order of weight at the time they are added. That list shall be preceded by the word "ingredients". The INCI label names shall be used.

ii. the following shall not, however, be regarded as ingredients;

- impurities in the raw materials used;
- subsidiary technical materials used in the preparation but not present in the final product; and
- materials used in strictly necessary quantities as solvents or as carriers for perfume and aromatic compounds

iii. if however, any of the above or any other substance not declared in the list of ingredients as part of the composition is found in significant amount, the cosmetic shall be declared non-conforming to this standard;

iv. perfume and aromatic compositions and their raw materials shall be referred to by the word "perfume" or "flavour". Ingredients in concentrations of less than 1 % may be listed in any order after those in concentrations of more than 1 %; and

v. colouring agents may be listed in any order after the other ingredients, For decorative cosmetic products marketed in several colour shades, all colouring agents used in the range may be listed, provided that the terms "may contain" are added, or the symbol +/-.

Annex A
(normative)

Information on cosmetic products

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Part I

Name and business address of applicant

Telephone Number

Name of product

Type of formulation

Presentation of the product

Identification (physical appearance of the product)

Name and business address of manufacturer

Country of origin

Is the product authorized to be on the market in the country of origin?

If yes, attach certificate of analysis. If not, state the reasons below:

Part II

The names and structural formulae of the ingredients are as follows

Approved or chemical name	**INCI Name**	**Structural Formula**	**Quantity**

Part III

Physical, chemical and microbiological specifications for all the raw materials used in the manufacturing process are as follows:

Part IV

Analytical control procedures which are performed on all raw materials before they are used in manufacturing process are as follows:

Part V

Analytical control procedures and the frequency with which they are performed during the manufacturing process are as follows:

Part VI

Full physical, chemical and microbiological specifications of final manufactured product are as follows: (mention also the purity and microbiological criteria of the finished cosmetic product).

Part VII

The analytical procedures which are performed on the final manufactured product are as follows:

Part VIII

The inferred shelf-life of the product is as follows:

Part IX

A summary of the experimental details and results of tests performed on the product to confirm its shelf-life and stability is as follows:

Part X

Summaries of the method of manufacture and packaging are as follows:

Part XI

Existing data on undesirable effects on human health resulting from use of the cosmetic product is as follows:

Part XII

Particulars of the tests conducted for assessment of the safety for human health of the finished product. A summary of the nature of the tests, by whom conducted and where, results etc should be given. To this end, the manufacturer shall take into consideration the general toxicological profile of the ingredients, the chemical structure and its level of exposure.

Part XIII

The name and address of the qualified person(s) responsible for the assessment referred to in Part XII. That person must hold at least a diploma in the field of toxicology, dermatology, medicine or a similar discipline.

Part XIV

Proof of the effect claimed for the cosmetic product, where justified by the nature of the effect or product.

The undersigned here declares that all the information contained herein is correct to the best of my knowledge

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Date of application Signature of applicant and designation

NOTE — A separate application is required for each cosmetic product.

Bibliography

[1] Regulation (EC) No. 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30th November 2009 on cosmetic products

[2] EAS 346: 2013, *Labelling of cosmetics — General requirements*