

## **DRAFT TANZANIA STANDARD**

Assistive products for blind and vision-impaired Persons-Tactile walking surface indicator

**TANZANIA BUREAU OF STANDARDS** 

## **National foreword**

The Tanzania Bureau of Standards is the statutory National standards body for Tanzania, established under the Act.No.3 of 1975, amended by Act.No.2 of 2009.

This Draft Tanzania Standard is being adopted by Plastic and Plastic Products Technical Committee under the supervision of the Chemicals Divisional Standards Committee.

This Draft Tanzania Standard is the identical adoption of ISO 23599:2019 Assistive products for blind and vision-impaired persons-tactile walking surface indicators.

The text of the International standard is hereby being recommended for approval without deviation for publication as draft Tanzania standard.

## Terminology and conventions

Some terminologies and certain conventions are not identical with those used as Tanzania standards; attention is drawn especially to the following: -

The comma has been used as a decimal marker for metric dimensions. In Tanzania Standards, it is current practice to use full point on the baseline as the decimal marker.

Where the words "International Standard(s)" appear, referring to this standard they should read "Tanzania Standard".

## Scope

This document provides product specifications for tactile walking surface indicators (TWSIs) and recommendations for their installation in order to assist in the safe and independent mobility of blind or vision-impaired persons.

This document specifies two types of TWSIs: attention patterns and guiding patterns. Both types can be used indoors and outdoors throughout the built environment where there are insufficient cues for wayfinding, or at specific hazards.

NOTE Some countries have adopted other designs of TWSIs based on the consolidated findings of science, technology and experience, ensuring that they can be detected and distinguished by most users.

This document is not intended to replace requirements and recommendations contained in such national standards, regulations or guidelines.