



DRAFT TANZANIA STANDARD

Microbiology of the food chain - Technical requirements and guidance on the establishment or revision of a standardized reference method

TANZANIA BUREAU OF STANDARDS

0.National Foreword

The Tanzania Bureau of Standards is the statutory national standards body for Tanzania, formally established by the Act.No.3 of 1975, which was amended and repealed by Act.No.2 of 2009.

The Microbiology Technical Committee, under the supervision of the Agriculture and Food Standards Divisional Committee (AFDC), has prepared this Tanzania Standard.

This draft Tanzania standard is the identical adoption to ISO 17468:2023- Microbiology of the food chain - Technical requirements and guidance on the establishment or revision of a standardized reference method, published by International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

Terminology and conventions

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

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

- 1) 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.
- 2) Where the words "International Standard(s)" appear, referring to this standard they should read "Tanzania Standard(s)".

1. Scope

This document gives technical requirements and guidance on the establishment or revision of standardized reference methods used for the analysis of microorganisms in:

- i. products intended for human consumption;
- ii. products for feeding animals;
- iii. environmental samples in the area of food and feed production and handling; and
- iv. samples from the primary production stage.

This document specifies the technical stages of the establishment of a new standardized reference method and of the revision of an existing standardized reference method. It includes, in particular, requirements and guidance on the validation of the selected method.