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Foreword

This Kenya Standard was prepared by the Technical Committee on Consumer Issues and in accordance with the procedures for urgent standards development.

The need for revision arose from the challenges faced during implementation, particularly arising from clause 3.1 in which Manufacturer's name and address and or Registered trademark. Some law considers a trademark to be a form of property. Proprietary rights in relation to a trademark may be established through actual use of that trademark in the marketplace or through registration of the mark with the relevant trademarks office (or "trademarks registry") of a particular jurisdiction. Hence, name and address of manufacturer cannot be used interchangeably. It is rational to separate the two and that they be inspected on their own merits.

This Second edition of this Kenya Standard changes clause 3.1 to read;

3.1 The following information shall be indelibly and legibly displayed in English on all products (use of other languages, in addition to English, is optional):

- a) manufacturer's name
- b) registered trade mark, if any;
- c) Brand name
- d) Country of origin.

The standard is intended to give guidance to manufacturers and suppliers in as far as giving important information about their products is concerned.

The standard complements the marking and labelling requirements prescribed in the respective product standards.

The other requirements in the standard remains unchanged.

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1 Scope

This Kenya Standard prescribes general requirements for the marking and labelling of products.

This standard applies to products that are made in Kenya and those imported into the country.

NOTE This standard does not preclude other marking and labelling requirements specified in the respective Kenya standards.

2 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this Kenya Standard the following terms and definitions shall apply:

2.1

labelling

includes any written, printed or graphic matter that is present on the label, accompanies the product, or is displayed near the product, including that for the purpose of promoting its sale or disposal

2.2

marking

a pattern of letters, numbers, lines, pictorials (or combination of them) on a product to indicate ownership, compliance with requirements, etc

2.3

country of origin

means country of manufacture. Where a product undergoes processing in a second country, which changes its nature, the country in which the processing is performed shall be considered to be the country of origin for the purposes of labelling

3 Requirements

3.1 The following information shall be indelibly and legibly displayed in English on all products (use of other languages, in addition to English, is optional):

- e) manufacturer's name
- f) registered trade mark, if any;
- g) Brand name
- h) Country of origin.

NOTE 1 Where the declaration "Made in Kenya" or "Produce of Kenya" appears in the respective Kenya Standard, this shall be understood to apply to only those products made or produced in Kenya.

3.2 The following information shall be indelibly and legibly displayed on products in accordance with the respective product standard:

- a) manufacturer's address;
- b) name of the product;
- c) batch number;
- d) date of manufacture;
- e) expiry date;
- f) "best before" date;
- g) net content;
- h) active ingredients content;
- i) list of ingredients in descending order;
- j) rating — for electrical products;
- k) size;
- l) fibre content and proportion;
- m) handling requirements;
- n) storage conditions;
- o) precautionary measures (if any);
- p) instructions for use.

NOTE 2 The requirement to mark the product with Kenya Standard number (KS No.) shall be optional.

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This Draft Kenya Standard has been prepared by the **Consumer Issues** Technical Committee in accordance with the procedures of the Bureau, and is now being circulated for public comments.

The Committee would appreciate any comments on this Draft Standards, which should be submitted before **...17th June 2019....** using the attached template. It will also be appreciated if those who have no specific comments to make but find the draft standard generally acceptable can notify us accordingly.

Suggestions entailing amendments of the text should include wording preferred and the relevant clause number quoted against any comments made.

This draft standard is subject to change and should not be referred to or used as a Kenya Standard.

All correspondence pertaining to this draft standard should be addressed to the Managing Director, Kenya Bureau of Standards for the attention of **...Oyoo T.O.....**

Yours faithfully,

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