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- 1) IS 4684:1975, Specification for edible groundnut flour
- 2) CODEX STAN 200, Peanut specification

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1 Scope

This Draft Rwanda Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test method for peanut flour from the varieties of *Arachis hypogaea L* intended for human consumption.

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.

ISO 542, Oilseeds — Sampling

ISO 729, Oilseeds—Determination of acidity of oils

RS CAC/RCP 1, Code of practice —General principles of food hygiene

RS CODEX STAN 192, General standard for food additives

RS CODEX STAN 193, Codex general standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed

RS EAS 38, Labelling of pre- packaged foods— General requirements

RS EAS 888, Raw and roasted groundnuts—Specification

RS ISO 16050, Foodstuffs — Determination of aflatoxin B1, and the total content of aflatoxin B1, B2, G1 and G2 in cereals, nuts and derived products — High performance liquid chromatographic method)

RS ISO 16649-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of beta-glucuronidase-positive Escherichia coli — Part 2: Colony-count technique at 44 degrees C using 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl beta-D-glucuronide

RS ISO 20483, Cereals and pulses — Determination of the nitrogen content and calculation of the crude protein content -- Kjeldahl method

RS ISO 21527-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of yeasts and moulds — Part 2: Colony count technique in products with water activity less than or equal to 0.95

RS ISO 2171, Cereals, pulses and by-products — Determination of ash yield by incineration

RS ISO 4833-1, Microbiology of the food chain —Horizontal method for the enumeration of microorganisms — Part 1: Colony count at 30 degrees C by the pour plate technique

RS ISO 5985, Animal feeding stuffs -- Determination of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid

RS ISO 6579-1, Microbiology of the food chain — Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of Salmonella — Part 1: Detection of Salmonella spp

RS ISO 665, Oilseeds — Determination of moisture and volatile matter content

3 Terms and definitions

In addition to the definitions in RS EAS 888, the following definitions shall apply:

3.1

peanut

low-branching widely cultivated herb of the legume family either in the pod or in the form of kernels which are obtained from varieties of the species *Arachis hypogaea*.

3.2

peanut (groundnuts) kernels

raw groundnut with their shells removed and which have not been subjected to roasting and/or various forms of chemical treatment

3.3

roasted peanut

groundnuts with or without seed coats which have been subjected to heat by either dry roasting or deep frying in a vegetable oil and to which salt (in form of powder or brine) and/or spices may have been added

3.4

peanut flour

flour made from crushed/ ground, fully or partly defatted peanuts

3.5

foreign matter

pieces or loose particles of any substance other than peanut kernels or skins

3.6

extraneous matter

inorganic matter such as sand, glass, metal, gravel, dirt, pebbles, stones, lumps of earth, clay and mud and organic matter such as chaff, straw, weed seeds and grains of crops, insects or insects' fragments, rodent hairs or any other foreign matter

3.7

food grade packaging material

packaging material made of substances which are safe and suitable for their intended use and which will not impart any toxic substance or undesirable odour or flavour to the product.

4 Requirements

4.1 Raw materials

The peanut flour shall be obtained from peanut kernels with sound quality, free from sand, have characteristic odour and flavour complying with RS EAS 888.

4.2 General requirements

Peanut flour shall be free from:

- a) foreign and extraneous matter;
- b) foreign odours and undesirable flavour and/or taste;
- c) metallic flavour; and
- d) rancid odours.

4.3 Specific requirements

Peanut flour shall comply with the specific requirements given in Table 1 when tested in accordance with test methods specified therein.

Table.1—Specific requirements for peanut flour

S/N	Characteristic	Requirement	Test method
i.	Moisture, %, m/m, max.	5.0	RS ISO 665
ii.	Protein (N x 6.25), %, m/m, min.	45.0	RS ISO 20483
iii.	Crude fibers, % m/m, max.	5.0	
iv.	Total ash, %, max.	4.5	RS ISO 2171

	٧.	Acid insoluble ash, %, m/m, max.	0.35	RS ISO 5985
	vi.	Oil content (on moisture free basis), % m/m, min	45	
Ī	vii.	Free fatty acids % m/m max.	2	ISO 729

5 Hygiene

- 5.1 Peanut flour shall be prepared and handled in accordance with accordance with RS CAC/RCP1.
- **5.2** Peanut flour shall not exceed the microbiological limits stipulated in Table 2 when tested in accordance with test methods specified therein.

Table.2 —Microbiological limits for peanut flour

S/N	Microorganism	Maximum limit	Test method
i.	Total Plate Count (TPC), CFU, per g, max.	10 ⁴	RS ISO 4833-1
ii.	Escherichia coli, cfu/g max.	Absent	RS ISO 16649-2
iii.	Salmonella Spp in 25g, max.	Absent	RS ISO 6579-1
iv.	Yeast and moulds, cfu/g max.	10 ³	RS ISO 21527-2

6 Contaminants

6.1 Heavy metals

Peanut flour shall be free from heavy metals in amounts which may represent a hazard to human health as stipulated in RS CODEX STAN 193.

6.2 Pesticide residues

Peanut flour shall comply with those maximum residue limits established by the Codex Alimentarius Commission for peanut

6.3 Mycotoxins

Peanut flour shall not exceed the maximum mycotoxins limits given in Table 3 when tested in accordance with test methods specified therein.

Table 3 — Mycotoxins limits for peanut flour

S/N	Mycotoxin	Maximum Limit (µg/kg)	Test method
i.	Total Aflatoxin content ppb, max	10.0	RS ISO 16050
ii.	Aflatoxin B1, ppb	5.0	

7 Packaging

- **7.1** Peanut flour shall be packaged in food grade materials that will safeguard hygienic, nutritional, technological and organoleptic qualities of the product.
- **7.2** Each package shall be securely closed and sealed.

8 Labelling

Peanut flour package shall be legibly and indelibly labelled in accordance with the requirements given in RS EAS 38 and shall also include the following:

- a) name, physical location and address of the manufacturer;
- b) manufacturing date;
- c) expiry date;
- d) storage instructions;
- e) instructions for use
- f) country of manufacture; and
- g) batch /lot number.

9 Sampling

Sampling of peanut flour shall be done in accordance with ISO 542.

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