NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Jamaica  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Bureau of Standards Jamaica  **Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:**  Regional and International Trade Branch 6 Winchester Road Kingston 10 Jamaica W.I. Email: [tbtenquirypoint@bsj.org.jm](mailto:tbtenquirypoint@bsj.org.jm) Website: <http://www.bsj.org.jm> Tel.: 1 (876) 926-3140-5/618-1534/ 632-4275 Fax: 1 (876) 929-4736 |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****],** **2.10.1 [****X],** **5.6.2 [****],** **5.7.1 [****],** **other****:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Instant hand sanitizers; Surface active agents (ICS 71.100.40) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Standard Specification for Instant hand sanitizers (15 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Jamaican Standard prescribes the requirements for alcohol based instant hand sanitizers. The standard does not cover non-alcohol based hand sanitizers. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** The alcohol contained within hand sanitizers, when rubbed on the surface of skin is effective in killing 99.9% of dangerous germs on the skin. A concentration of 60% to 80% alcohol in a hand sanitizing product is recommended. This standard ensures that there are some minimum criteria for judging the performance of instant hand sanitizers thus ensuring that the consumer gets a product that can destroy micro-organisms which are potentially harmful to health. |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**  A notice of the *Standard Speciﬁcation for Instant hand sanitizers* will appear in The Jamaica Gazette Supplement - Proclamations, Rules and Regulations. The document will appear as a Jamaican Standard Specification, with mandatory status, and will be available for sale. |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 5 May 2020  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 5 May 2020 |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 3 May 2020 |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  The full text of the proposed technical regulation (mandatory standard) can be directly accessed on the website of the Bureau Standards Jamaica: <http://www.bsj.org.jm>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/JAM/20_3017_00_e.pdf> |