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DRAFT MALAWI STANDARD

**A blend of skimmed milk and vegetable
fat in powdered form – Specification**

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FOREWORD

This draft Malawi standard has been prepared to provide requirements for a blend of skimmed milk and vegetable fat in powdered form.

The draft Malawi standard is identical to the following international standard:

Codex Stan 251:2006, *Standard for a blend of skimmed milk and vegetable fat in powdered form*.

Acknowledgement is made for the use of the information.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

This Malawi Standard was prepared by the Technical Committee MBS/TC 23, *Milk and milk products* and the following companies, organizations and institutions were represented:

- Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development – Blantyre Agricultural Development Division;
- Consumers Association of Malawi;
- Dairibord Malawi Limited;
- Lilongwe Dairy (2001) Limited;
- Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR);
- Malawi Bureau of Standards;
- Peoples Trading Centre;
- Shire Highlands Milk Producers Association;
- Suncrest Creameries Limited; and
- University of Malawi – The Malawi Polytechnic

NOTICE

This Malawi standard shall be reviewed every five years or whenever necessary in order to keep abreast of progress. Comments are welcome and shall be considered when the standard is being reviewed.

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1 SCOPE

This draft Malawi standard applies to a blend of skimmed milk and vegetable fat in powdered form, intended for direct consumption, or further processing, in conformity with the description in Section 3 of this draft standard.

2 NORMATIVE REFERENCES

The following standards contain provisions, which through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this Malawi standard. All standards are subject to revision and, since any reference to a standard is deemed to be a reference to the latest edition of that standard, parties to agreements based on this standard are encouraged to take steps to ensure the use of the most recent edition of the standard indicated below. Information on current valid national and international standards can be obtained from the Malawi Bureau of Standards.

MS 19: *Labelling of pre-packed foods – General standard*;

MS 237: *Food additives – General standard*;

MS 302: *Contaminants and toxins in foods – General standard*;

MS 935: *Principles for the establishment and application of microbiological criteria for foods*;

MS 1113: *Code of hygienic practice for milk and milk products*;

CAC/GL 9: *General principles for the addition of essential nutrients for food*; and

CODEX STAN 234: *Recommended methods of analysis and sampling*.

3 DESCRIPTION

3.1 A blend of skimmed milk and vegetable fat in powdered form is a product prepared by the partial removal of water from milk constituents with the addition of edible vegetable oil, edible vegetable fat or a mixture thereof, to meet the compositional requirements in Section 4 of this draft standard.

4 ESSENTIAL COMPOSITION AND QUALITY FACTORS**4.1 Raw materials**

Skimmed milk and skimmed milk powders, other non-fat milk solids, and edible vegetable fats/oils.

The following milk products are allowed for protein adjustment purposes:

- (a) Milk retentate Milk retentate is the product obtained by concentrating milk protein by ultra-filtration of milk, partly skimmed milk, or skimmed milk;
- (b) Milk permeate Milk permeate is the product obtained by removing milk protein and milk fat from milk, partly skimmed milk, or skimmed milk by ultra-filtration; and
- (c) Lactose¹

¹ See Malawi standard for sugar

4.2 Permitted nutrients

Where allowed in accordance with CAC/GL 9, maximum and minimum levels for Vitamins A, D and other nutrients, where appropriate, should be laid down by national legislation in accordance with the needs of individual country including, where appropriate, the prohibition of the use of particular nutrients.

4.3 Composition

4.3.1 Blend of skimmed milk and vegetable fat in powdered form

Minimum total fat	26 % m/m
Maximum water ^(a)	5 % m/m
Minimum milk protein in milk solids-not-fat ^(a)	34 % m/m

4.3.2 Reduced fat blend of sweetened condensed skimmed milk and vegetable fat

Total fat	More than 1.5 % and less than 26 % m/m
Maximum water ^(a)	5 % m/m
Minimum milk protein in milk solids-not-fat ^(a)	34 % m/m

Note: ^(a) The milk solids-not-fat content includes water of crystallization of the lactose.

5 FOOD ADDITIVES

Food additives may be used in the preparation of the blend of skimmed milk and vegetable fat in powdered form in accordance with MS 237.

6 CONTAMINANTS

6.1 The products covered by this draft standard shall comply with the maximum levels for contaminants that are specified for the product in MS 302.

6.2 The milk used in the manufacture of the products covered by this standard shall comply with the maximum levels for contaminants and toxins specified for milk by MS 302 and with the maximum residue limits for veterinary drug residues and pesticides established for milk by the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC).

6.3 The vegetable oils/fat used in the manufacture of the products covered by this standard shall comply with the maximum levels for contaminants and toxins specified for the oils/fats MS 302 by and with the maximum residue limits for pesticides established for the oils/fats by the CAC.

7 HYGIENE

It is recommended that the product covered by the provisions of this draft standard be prepared and handled in accordance with the appropriate sections of MS 1113 and other relevant Codex texts. The products should comply with any microbiological criteria established in accordance with MS 935.

8 LABELLING

In addition to the provisions of MS 19, the following specific provisions apply:

7.1 Name of the food

7.1.1 The name of the food shall be:

7.1.1.1 Blend of skimmed milk and vegetable fat in powdered form; or

7.1.1.2 Reduced fat blend of skimmed milk and vegetable fat in powdered form.

7.1.2 Other names may be used if allowed by national legislation in the country of retail sale.

7.2 Declaration of total fat content

The total fat content shall be declared in a manner found acceptable in the country of sale to the final consumer, either (i) as a percentage by mass or volume, or (ii) in grams per serving as quantified in the label provided that the number of servings is stated.

A statement shall appear on the label as to the presence of edible vegetable fat and/or edible vegetable oil. Where required by the country of retail sale, the common name of the vegetable from which the fat or oil is derived shall be included in the name of the food or as a separate statement.

7.3 Declaration of milk protein

The milk protein content shall be declared in a manner acceptable in the country of sale to the final consumer, either (i) as a percentage by mass or volume, or (ii) in grams per serving as quantified in the label provided that the number of servings is stated.

7.4 List of ingredients

Notwithstanding the provision of section 4.2.1 of MS 19, milk products used only for protein adjustment need not be declared.

7.5 Advisory statement

A statement shall appear on the label to indicate that the product should not be used as a substitute for infant formula. For example, "NOT SUITABLE FOR INFANTS".

9 METHODS OF SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS

Sampling and analysis of milkfat products shall be done in accordance with CODEX STAN 234.

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