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#### **Quality and Certification Issues - Dried Fruits of Uzbekistan**

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## The Uzbek Agency of Technical Regulation is a republican body of state administration in charge of the state policy in technical regulation and metrology



### Main tasks of the Agency of Technical Regulation:

- 1. Implementation of the overall policy in the field of technical regulation, conformity assessment, metrology, standardization and accreditation.
- 2. Coordination of the accelerated application of international standards and technical regulations by authorized bodies.
- 3. Issuing of orders to heads of enterprises and industries for non-compliance with the requirements of technical regulations and standards at enterprises.
- 4. Compilation and keeping a register of information about products recognized as not complying with technical regulations, standards and mandatory requirements established by law.

### THE UZBEK AGENCY OF TECHNICAL REGULATION





Uzbek National Institute of Metrology





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Institute of Standards of Uzbekistan Uzbek Center for Accreditation

### **International Membership**



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#### SMIIC

Full member -2019 6 Halal standards adopted in Uzbekistan opened Halal Certification Body Partners- JAKIM (Malaysia), ESMA, (UAE) TSE (Turkey), MUI (Indonezia)

#### GLOBAL G.A.P.

Associated member-2019 Global GAP standards adopted in Uzbekistan Partners in Certification- ECOCert (France), Control Union (Nederland) Partners- UNDP, USAID, SES and GIZ

#### BIPM

Associated member-2019



#### ISO

Full member-1994 Member of 23 Technical committees Number of ISO standards- 440 Number of GOST/ISO standards-1109 11000 companies certified according to ISO 9001, ISO 22000, ISO 50001, ISO 14001

#### EASC

Full member-1992 Member of 10 Technical committees Number of EASC standards-

#### Corresponding member-2001



### **New decisions of the Uzbek government:**

- 1. Almost 50% of products that used to be certified will be subject to declaration. Certain types of products with a high level of risk will be subject to state registration. After registration, they will be released for free circulation on the market.
- 2. Conformity assessment of certain types of products with a low level of risk will be carried out by means of a declaration of conformity.



# **Uzbekistan - basic facts**



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- Area 448 978 km2
- Total population 35 million
- Agricultural land 266 300 km2

Uzbekistan has deep agricultural roots and wellbalanced climatic conditions for the production of dried fruits. A large number of sunny days (more than 280 days) per year allows Uzbekistan to produce some of the best dried fruits in the world.



## **GSP + Benefits of Uzbekistan**



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Since April 10, Uzbekistan has joined the GSP + system of preferences, which allows duty-free export of 6,200 types of goods to the European Union, including dried fruits.



# Varieties of dried fruits:



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### A) traditional: dried grapes







# Varieties of dried fruits:

A) Traditional: dried apricot, treated and untreated



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### **UNECE STANDARD DDP-15**









## Varieties of dried fruits:



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### A) Traditional: prunes and dried figs







# Varieties of dried fruit:

### New !!! Dried melon, dried persimmon In the last three years, the demand in the domestic and foreign markets has been gradually increasing

#### **UNECE STANDARD DDP-30**

### ECE/CTCS/WP.7/GE.2/2020/6









# International standards applied in the production and processing process



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International standards of safety and quality of agricultural products are being implemented



Global G.A.P. used in the production process to ensure food safety at the level of farmers / producers of agricultural products;

The Republic of Uzbekistan became a member of Global G.A.P. organization in 2018. To date, more than 270 thousand hectares of 12 farmer farms have been certified.



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HACCP & FSSC 22000 is used in the processing process (primary and deep processing) at the level of processing enterprises;

According to the decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan № PD-4887 of November 10, 2020, the action plan for 2020-2025 on the gradual introduction of international standards on the principles of risk analysis and critical control points (HACCP) in enterprises participating in the production and production chain of the food industry has been approved.



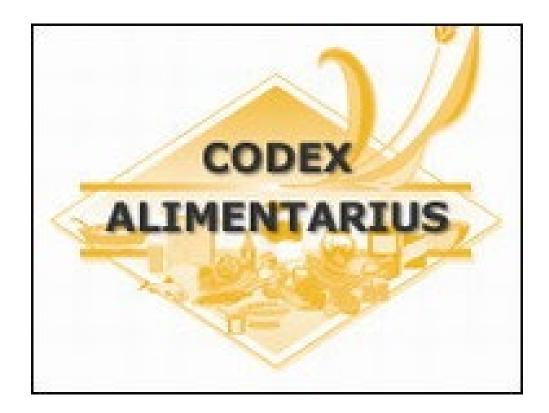




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### **UZBEKISTAN HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF CODEX ALIMENTARIUS since 2005**

The Republic of Uzbekistan has adopted 279 CODEX ALIMENTARIUS standards since 2016. Prior to that, GOST and SanPin were used







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Organic – depending on the importing countries, it is used at all levels from production to processing, including the entire cycle;

Today, 36 farms in the Republic of Uzbekistan grow products in accordance with the requirements of the Organic standard





# International standards applied in the production and processing process



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UNECE Standards - Commercial standards for the commercial type of products are applied at all levels from production to processing.







### In Uzbekistan, there is an interdepartmental national technical group (operates under the auspices of the Uzbek Agency for Technical Regulation)

- Development of explanatory materials: posters, brochures, flipcharts;
- Study of international standards and making changes in the interests of national producers, processors and exporters;
- Development and protection of standards for the presentation of agricultural products in the interests of national producers, processors and exporters;
- Conducting information and training events among producers, processors and exporters of Uzbekistan.







## **Explanatory publications**







### **Informational sessions**









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# Thanks for your attention!

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