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## Foreword

This Mauritian Standard was drawn by the **Food Products Standards Committee (FPSC)** through its Subcommittee on Vegetables and fruits. It was approved by the Standards Council on 15 June 2011 and was notified in the Government Gazette on 02 July 2011\*.

In preparing this standard the following was used as working document:

**Codex Stan 293: 2008** – *Codex Standard for tomatoes*

**UNECE Standard FFV-36: 2010** – *The marketing and commercial quality control of tomatoes*

**United States Standards for Grades of Fresh Tomatoes: 1991**

Acknowledgement is made for the use of information from the above publication.

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## Standard for fresh tomatoes

### 1 Scope

This Mauritian Standard applies to commercial varieties of tomatoes grown from *Lycopersicon esculentum* Mill, of the *Solanaceae* family, to be marketed or supplied fresh to the consumer, after preparation and packaging.

This standard specifies requirements for a system of grading and classifying tomatoes.

The types of tomatoes are shown in Annex A.

Tomatoes for industrial processing are excluded.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest document (including any amendments) applies.

<b>MS 30</b>	<i>Labelling of prepackaged foods</i>
<b>MS 167: 2011</b>	<i>Recommended International Code of Practice – General principles of food hygiene</i>
<b>FOOD ACT</b>	
<b>CAC/RCP 44</b>	<i>Recommended International Code of Practice for packaging and transport of fresh fruit and vegetables</i>
<b>CODEX STAN 193</b>	<i>Codex General Standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed</i>
<b>CAC/RCP 53</b>	<i>Code of Hygienic Practice for fresh fruits and vegetables</i>
<b>CAC/GL 21</b>	<i>Principles for the establishment and application of microbiological criteria for foods</i>
<b>ISO 874</b>	<i>Fresh fruits and vegetables – Sampling</i>

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1

##### **clean**

practically free from dirt or other foreign material

#### 3.2

##### **contaminant**

any biological or chemical agent, foreign matter, or other substances not intentionally added which may compromise the safety or suitability of the tomatoes