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## FOREWORD

This standard was finalized by the Sectoral Committee on Agriculture and Food Technology - 2 and was authorized for adoption and publication as a Sri Lanka Standard by the Council of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution on 1996-10-17.

The seasonal nature of the fishery industry and high demand for fish in cities away from the coastal area, necessitate preservation of fish by freezing. Freezing fish allows them to be kept in good condition for comparatively long periods. Fish, that can be kept in ice for only a matter of days will remain wholesome for many months once frozen. However, care is still needed to produce a high quality product.

Presently fish is frozen as whole, or presented in any other style in consumer packs of various masses.

In order to establish and maintain high quality standards and to assist the industry to exercise proper quality control procedures, the formulation of this specification was considered necessary.

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Guidelines for the determination of a compliance of a lot with the requirements of this standard based on statistical sampling and inspection are given in Appendix A.

During the formulation of this specification due consideration has been given to the relevant provisions made under the Sri Lanka Food Act No. 26 of 1980. Specific requirement given in this specification, wherever applicable, are in accordance with the relevant regulations. However, general provisions made under the Sri Lanka Food Act have not been included in this specification and therefore, the attention of the user of this specification is drawn to the general provisions made in the regulations framed under the food Act.

For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied with, the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the result of a test or an analysis, shall be rounded off in accordance with CS 102. The number of significant figures to be retained in the rounded off value shall be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

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In the preparation of this standard, the assistance derived from the following publications is gratefully acknowledged:

- i) CODEX STAN 165: 1989 Standard for quick frozen blocks of fish fillets, minced fish flesh and mixtures of fillets and minced fish flesh.
- ii) IS 10763: 1983 Indian Standard Specification for frozen minced fish meat.