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## **FOREWORD**

This Sri Lanka Standard was approved by the Sectoral Committee on Agricultural and Food Products and was authorized for adoption and publication as a Sri Lanka Standard by the Council of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution on 2014-05-28.

Canned fish is a widely consumed food in the country and most of the products are presently imported from various countries. Canned fish of good quality can never be produced from raw materials which are initially of low quality irrespective of the subsequent methods of handling or processing. It is therefore, important to exercise utmost care in obtaining raw materials of good hygienic quality which will satisfy the physical, chemical and bacteriological standards prescribed for the finished products.

This standard was first published in 1982. This revision incorporates a number of important modifications namely, list of ingredients which has been further expanded to give provisions for different types available in the market, the limit of drained mass of the contents has been relaxed and also the sampling scheme has been updated to help in exercising proper quality control of canned fish.

This standard is subject to the restrictions imposed under the Sri Lanka Food Act No. 26 of 1980 and the regulations framed thereunder, wherever applicable.

For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this specification is complied with, the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the results of a test, shall be rounded off in accordance with SLS 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.

In revising this standard, valuable assistance derived from the publications of the Codex Alimentarius Commission is gratefully acknowledged.

## **1 SCOPE**

**1.1** This standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and testing for canned fish packed in its own juice or brine or potable water or edible oil or other suitable packing medium (including catering purposes).

**1.2** This standard does not apply to speciality products where fish content constitutes less than 50 per cent by mass of the net contents of the can and canned curry fish products.