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FOREWORD

This standard was approved by the Sectoral Committee on Agriculture 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 2002-04-11.

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 requirements 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.

In this specification quality grades of the product are categorized based on physical and sensory quality parameters through visual inspection. However, inspection authorities may use cut tests and moisture determination methods to evaluate quality more objectively in case of a necessity.

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

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 or an analysis, shall be rounded off in accordance with CS 102. The number of significant places to be retained in the rounded off value shall be the same as that of the specified value in this specification.

In the preparations of this standard, the assistance derived from the following publications are gratefully acknowledged.

MS 893: 1984 - Malaysian Standard Specification for Fresh Tomatoes.

EC Marketing Standards - Tomatoes

CNS 2098 N 1031 - Chinese National Standard for Grades and Packaging of Tomatoes.

1 SCOPE

This specification prescribes the requirements and gradings for fresh tomatoes, to be supplied fresh to the consumer.

2 **REFERENCES**

- ISO 874 Fresh fruits and vegetables sampling
- CS 102 Presentation of numerical values
- SLS 143 Code of practice for general principles of food hygiene
- SLS 428 Random sampling methods
- SLS 467 Code of practice for labelling of prepackaged food
- SLS 910 Limits for pesticide residues in food