

ZANZIBAR BUREAU OF STANDARDS (ZBS)

LIST OF NEW GAZETTED ZANZIBAR NATIONAL STANDARDS

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S/N	ZNS NO.	EDITION	TITTLE AND SCOPE	STATUS
1.	ZNS 77-3: 2024 - EAS	2 nd Edition	Steel for the reinforcement of concrete —	Compulsory
	412-3: 2019		Specification — Part 3: Welded fabric sheets and	
			coils	
			This Zanzibar National Standard specifies technical requirements for factory made sheets and rolls of welded fabric, manufactured from steel wires or bars with diameters from 4 mm to 16 mm and designed for the reinforcement of concrete structures and the ordinary reinforcement of pre stressed concrete structures. This standard covers regular fabric (4.2) and designed fabric (4.3). NOTE For the purpose of this standard the term "wire" also includes bars.	



			This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition ZNS 77-3: 2015 and ZNS 130: 2024 which are hereby withdrawn.	
2.	ZNS 77-4: 2024 - TZS 142-4: 2021	1 st Edition	Steel for the reinforcement of concrete — Specification — Part 4: Ribbed bars — Low grade steel (300 – 450 MPa) This Zanzibar National Standard specifies technical requirements for low grade steel ribbed bars to be used as reinforcement in concrete. It is applicable to steel delivered in the form of bars, coils and de-coiled products. The standard covers both weldable and non-weldable steels. It does not apply to ribbed bars produced from finished products, such as plates and railway rails. This Standard does not cover higher grades specified in the TZS 142-2. The production process is at the discretion of the manufacturer. This edition cancels and replaces the ZNS 697-4: 2024 which is hereby withdrawn.	Compulsory
3.	ZNS 109: 2025	2 nd Edition	Road vehicles — Retro-reflective registration number plates for motor vehicles and trailers — Specification	Compulsory



			This Zanzibar National Standard specifies the minimum requirements for retro-reflective registration number plates for motor vehicles and their trailers.	
			In particular, this Standard specifies the photometric and colorimetric characteristics required and also the test specifications applicable to registration number plates.	
			NOTE — Retro-reflecting number plates may be manufactured from any material which performs satisfactorily in service, provided the requirements of this Standard are met.	
			This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition ZNS 109: 2020 which is hereby withdrawn.	
4.	ZNS 135: 2025	2 nd Edition	Neem herbal soap — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard prescribes requirements and test methods for neem herbal soap. Because of neem's varied properties with varied application, the standard shall cover different types as follows:	Compulsory



5.	ZNS 359: 2025 - EAS 827: 2022	2 nd Edition	a) Neem herbal toilet soap b) Neem herbal laundry soap c) Neem herbal liquid soap This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition ZNS 135: 2016 which is hereby withdrawn. Fresh and frozen whole fin fish — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for fresh and frozen whole fin fish for human consumption. This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition ZNS 359: 2021 which is hereby withdrawn.	Compulsory
6.	ZNS 718: 2025	1 st Edition	Standard guide for disposal of laboratory chemicals and samples This guide is intended to provide the chemical laboratory director, manager, chemical laboratory safety officer, and other relevant staff with guidelines for the disposal of small quantities of laboratory wastes safely and in an	Compulsory



8.	ZNS 733: 2025	1 st Edition	Safety and control devices for gas and or oil burners and appliances — General requirements	Compulsory
7.	ZNS 728: 2025	1st Edition	Quality tolerances for swimming pools water This standard prescribes the quality tolerances for water in artificial swimming pools.	Compulsory
			environmentally sound manner. This guide is applicable to laboratories that generate small quantities of chemical or toxic wastes. Generally, such tasks include, but are not limited to, analytical chemistry, process control, quality assurance and research or life science laboratories. It would be impossible to address the disposal of all waste from all types of laboratories. This guide is intended to address the more common laboratory waste streams. This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.	



This document specifies safety, construction, performance and testing requirements for controls for gas burners and gas burning appliances for use with natural gas, manufactured gas or liquefied petroleum gas (LPG).

This document applies to controls for use at maximum operating pressures up to and including 500 kPa. This document provides the general requirements that are intended to be the basis for the specific control standards found in the ISO 23551 and ISO 23552 series. These include the following:

- automatic and semi-automatic gas valves;
- gas thermoelectric flame supervision controls;
- gas and oil /air ratio controls;
- gas pressure regulators;
- manual gas valves;
- mechanical gas thermostats;
- multifunctional gas controls;
- air and gas pressure-sensing devices;



			— gas vent valves; and — gas valve-proving systems	
			This document covers type testing only. This document is also applicable to Gas Quick Connectors (GQC) for use inside appliances with connections up to, and including DN 25, and a maximum operating pressure up to and including 100 kPa. GQCs include:	
			 tube to tube connections; tube to control connections; and tube to fitting connections. 	
			This document does not apply to mechanical controls for use with liquid fuels. It is also not applicable to corrosive and waste gases.	
9.	ZNS 736: 2025	1st Edition	Disinfectants — Quartenary ammonium based —	Compulsory
			Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies the	
			formulations based on quaternary ammonium	
			compounds in liquid or powder form for	
			disinfecting inanimate spaces. It is intended	



			primarily for destruction of pathogens on floors, walls and other hard surfaces.	
10.	ZNS 737: 2025 - TZS 3400: 2023	1 st Edition	Shoe cream — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for wax-emulsion type shoe cream suitable for general application to leather footwear.	Compulsory
11.	ZNS 738: 2025 - TZS 2353: 2019	1 st Edition	Adhesives — Ethyl and methyl cyanoacrylate — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and methods of test for adhesives — ethyl and methyl cyanoacrylate.	Compulsory
12.	ZNS 739: 2025 -TZS 3137: 2023	1 st Edition	Adhesives for Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) plastic pipes —Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for adhesives used in polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipes.	Compulsory
13.	ZNS 740: 2025	1 st Edition	Solid waste Management of health care waste This Zanzibar National Standard specifies the management of health care wastes from	Compulsory



			generation; segregation, storage, transportation, treatment by incineration and autoclaving to final disposal. This Zanzibar National Standard applies to wastes arising from activities such as medical, dental, veterinary practice, pathology and pharmaceutical laboratories, health care and supported care services, medical emergency services, blood banks, mortuaries, saloons, tattooing, academic laboratories, researchers and body piercing establishments.	
14.	ZNS 745: 2025	1 st Edition	Solid waste — Management of commercial facilities (shops, markets, malls, hotels) wastes — Guidelines This standard prescribes guidelines for segregation, collection, transportation, treatment and disposal of solid waste (SW) generated at commercial facilities including shops, markets, malls, hotels etc. Elements namely, collection from the facility, transportation by primary vehicles to transfer	Compulsory



			station and further transport by secondary vehicles to transport for processing and recycling and final scientific disposal of reject material' are excluded from this standard.	
			NOTE: General guidelines are also provided for collection and handling of e - waste, biomedical waste, commercial hazardous waste, garden waste, construction and demolition waste generated from commercial facilities.	
15.	ZNS 747: 2025	1st Edition	Plastics — Recovery and Recycling of Plastics	Compulsory
			Waste — Guidelines	
			This standard prescribes guidelines for the	
			recycling of plastics waste/scrap by different	
			techniques based on technological trends and	
			policy directives issued for the plastics waste	
			management in Zanzibar. The process stages,	
			requirements, recommendations and	
			terminology presented in this standard are	
			intended for general applicability. The scope of	
		1	this standard does not solver are direct related	
			this standard does not cover product related	
			specifications or requirements including statutory	



			applicable. The guidelines shall help manufacturers of plastic products who wish to use recycled material along with virgin material in deciding about quality and marking requirements based on percentage of recycled content used in the finished product.	
16.	ZNS 760: 2025 - EAS 954: 2024	1 st Edition	Meat sausages — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies	Compulsory
	754. 2024		requirements, sampling and test methods for	
			meat sausages intended for human	
			consumption.	
			This standard does not cover dry or fermented	
			sausages.	
17.	ZNS 761: 2025 -EAS	1st Edition	Edible natural casings sausages — Specification	Compulsory
	1188: 2024		This Zanzibar National Standard specifies	
			requirements, sampling and test methods for edible natural casings fit for human consumption.	
			This standard does not cover artificial casings	
			including but not limited to casings from cellulose	



			and collagens.	
18.	ZNS 762: 2025 - EAS 1187: 2024	1 st Edition	Edible Offal —Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for edible offal intended for human consumption.	Compulsory
19.	ZNS 763: 2025 - EAS 1186: 2024	1 st Edition	Edible insects — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for dried whole edible insects and insect powder intended for human consumption.	Compulsory
20.	ZNS 764: 2025 - EAS 1189: 2024	1 st Edition	Marinated meat — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for	Compulsory
			marinated meat intended for human consumption.	





	IEC 60227-1: 2024		voltages up to and including 450-750 V - Part 1-General requirements This standard applies to rigid and flexible cables with insulation, and sheath if any, based on polyvinyl chloride, of rated voltages U_0/U up to and including 450/750 V used in power installations of nominal voltage not exceeding 450/750 V AC.	
24.	ZNS 767-3: 2025 - IEC 60227-3: 2024	1 st Edition	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltages up to and including 450-750 V - Part 3 - Non-sheathed cables for fixed wiring This standard detail the particular standards for polyvinyl chloride insulated single-core non-sheathed cables for fixed wiring of rated voltages up to and including 450/750 V. This document provides particular requirements for non-sheathed cables for fixed wiring which apply in addition to the appropriate requirements specified in ZNS 767-1, which apply to all cables.	Compulsory
25.	ZNS 767-4: 2025 -	1st Edition	Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated	Compulsory
	IEC 60227-4: 2024		voltages up to and including 450-750 V - Part 4-	



26.	ZNS 767-5: 2025 -	1st Edition	Sheathed cables for fixed wiring This standard detail the particular specifications for light polyvinyl chloride sheathed cables of rated voltages of 300/500 V. This document provides particular requirements for sheathed cables for fixed wiring which apply in addition to the appropriate requirements specified in ZNS 767-1, which apply to all cables. Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated	Compulsory
	IEC 60227-5: 2024		voltages up to and including 450 -750 V - Part 5-Flexible cables (cords) This standard detail the particular specifications for polyvinyl chloride insulated flexible cables (cords), of rated voltages up to and including 300/500 V. This document provides particular requirements for flexible cables (cords) which apply in addition to the appropriate requirements specified in ZNS 767-1, which apply to all cables.	Composition
27.	ZNS 768: 2025 - EAS 832: 2022	1 st Edition	Fish industry — Operational cleanliness and hygiene — Guidelines This Zanzibar National Standard provides	Compulsory



			guidelines for operational cleanliness and hygiene in the fish industry.	
28.	ZNS 769: 2025 - EAS 833: 2022	1 st Edition	Processing and handling of dried fish and fish products — Code of practice This Zanzibar National Standard provides guidelines for processing and handling of dried fish and fish products intended for human consumption.	Compulsory
29.	ZNS 770: 2025 - EAS 834: 2024	1 st Edition	Processing and handling of salted fish and fish products — Code of practice This Zanzibar National Standard provides guidelines for processing and handling of salted fish and fish products intended for human consumption.	Compulsory
30.	ZNS 771: 2025	1 st Edition	Textile - Cotton sewing threads - Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and construction details for 43 types of cotton sewing threads, including unbleached, bleached or dyed varieties. However, this Zanzibar National Standard does not define the finish and texture of the sewing	Compulsory



			thread, nor does it specify the level of whiteness for the bleached thread or the colour of the dyed threads.	
31.	ZNS 772: 2025	1st Edition	Textiles — Sewing threads specification — Sewing threads made wholly or partly from synthetic fibres This Zanzibar National Standard specifies minimum requirements for industrial and domestic sewing thread containing synthetic materials. It deals with industrial and domestic sewing threads made from the following substrates and combination of substrates: a) Continuous filament polyester; b) Staple fibre polyester; c) Air jet textured polyester; d) False twist textured polyester; e) Continuous filament nylon 6.6; f) Staple fibre and Continuous filament aramid; g) False twist textured nylon 6.6; h) Polyester and cotton core spun (Continuous filament polyester core,	Compulsory



			cotton sheath); and i) Polyester and polyester core spun (Continuous filament polyester core, staple spun polyester sheath).	
32.	ZNS 773: 2025 - EAS 227: 2018	1 st Edition	Knitted cotton fabric — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for knitted cotton fabric suitable for apparel purposes.	Compulsory
33.	ZNS 774: 2025	1 st Edition	Textiles — Knitted polyester fabric — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for knitted polyester fabric for apparel purposes.	Compulsory
34.	ZNS 775: 2025 - EAS 222: 2018-Amd. No.1 2020	1 st Edition	Knitted Polyester cellulosic blended fabric — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for knitted polyester- cellulosic blended fabric for apparel purposes.	Compulsory



35.	ZNS 776-2: 2025	1 st Edition	Textile — Specification for mosquito nets — Part 2: Net made from 100 % polyethylene yarn This Zanzibar National Standard specifies the requirements for two types of mosquito nets—rectangular and conical (or circular)—made entirely from high-density polyethylene monofilament yarn. These nets may be either bleached or dyed, as agreed upon in the contract or purchase order.	Compulsory
36.	ZNS 777: 2025 - EAS 1049: 2022	1 st Edition	Paper hand towel sheets (multi-fold hand towels) — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for paper hand towel sheets used for general hygiene.	Compulsory
37.	ZNS 778: 2025 - EAS 1050: 2022	1 st Edition	Kitchen paper towels — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for kitchen paper towels supplied in rolls and sheets used for hygiene and cleaning purposes in the kitchen.	Compulsory



38.	ZNS 779: 2025	1 st Edition	Glue stick — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard prescribes the requirements, sampling and test methods for glue stick for joining paper to paper and paper to other surfaces like paperboard, wood, cloth, glass and metals in general use.	Compulsory
39.	ZNS 780: 2025	1 st Edition	Black lead pencil — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for black lead pencil.	Compulsory
40.	ZNS 781: 2025	1 st Edition	Ginger and turmeric tonic drink — Specification This Zanzibar National Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for ginger and turmeric tonic drinks.	Compulsory