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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: NATIONAL QUALITY POLICY AND REVIEW OF THE STANDARDS ACT CAP 496

The Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) is a statutory body established under the Standards Act, Cap 496, Laws of Kenya. KEBS is mandated to provide Standardization and Conformity Assessment Services through; promotion of standardization in commerce and industry, provision of testing and calibration facilities, product and system certification, undertaking educational work in standardization and practical application of standards and maintenance and dissemination of international system on units (SI) of measurements.

KEBS is in the process of reviewing the Standards Act and developing a National Quality Policy aiming to enhance standardization and quality infrastructure. The Standards Act is being reviewed to provide clear definitions of all terms used in the sector or principles which govern standardization in line with the WTO TBT and SPS Agreements, as well as the East African Community Standardization, Quality Assurance, Metrology and Testing Act of 2006. The Act has been enhanced to cover issues of conformity assessment and enforcement provisions in relation to the control at the border or within the territory of the Republic of Kenya, list of offences and penalties.

As per the requirements of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, KEBS wishes to invite public comments as follows:

Date	Venue	Targeted County
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2019	Mombasa County	Mombasa Kwale, Kilifi, Taita Taveta and Lamu.
4 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Kisumu County	Kisumu, Kisii, Nyamira, Siaya, Migori, Homabay and Bomet
5 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Kakamega County	Kakamega, Vihiga, Busia, Bungoma, Trans Nzoia and West Pokot.
9 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Nakuru County	Nakuru, Kericho, Narok, Uasin Gishu, Nandi, Elgeyo Marakwet, Baringo and Turkana
11 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Nairobi County	Nairobi, Kiambu, Kajiado and Machakos.
15 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Nyeri County	Nyeri, Murang'a, Nyandarua, Laikipia, Isiolo and Samburu.
17 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Embu County	Embu, Kirinyaga, Meru and Tharaka Nithi
24 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Garissa County	Garissa, Wajir, Mandera, Kitui, Makueni, Tana River and Marsabit.

Members of the public, county governments, national government, private sector, civil society organizations, non-governmental organizations, professional bodies, persons with disabilities, faith based organizations, women, youth, technical committee members, manufacturers, industry sector associations, semi-autonomous government agencies, media and all other stakeholders are called upon to participate in the process by giving their views.

The documents are available on the KEBS website [www.kebs.org](http://www.kebs.org). Please email your views using the template/memorandum tool (see below) that is provided on the KEBS website, [www.kebs.org](http://www.kebs.org). Written memoranda can be delivered to the Secretariat's offices at KEBS offices on Popo road, off Mombasa road addressed to the undersigned during official working hours from 8.00 am - 5.00 pm on week days.

Deadline for receiving submissions is 21 (twenty-one) days from the date of publication of this notice.

Further inquiries regarding the consultative meetings could be channeled to Lucy Ikonya  
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### MEMORANDA FOR SUBMISSION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEMORANDUM FORUM

NAME OF PERSON/INSTITUTION MAKING PROPOSAL:

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PASSPORT/ ID NO: ..... (OPTIONAL)

Name of document (tick as appropriate)

a) The Standards Act

b) National Quality Policy

1. What part of the document ticked do you want?

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2. How would you want the part mentioned above improved?

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3. What other additions should be included in the document?

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SIGNATURE: ..... DATE OF SUBMISSION: .....