



INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS ON DRAFT BOTSWANA STANDARDS

Standards for a better Botswana

Botswana Bureau of Standards intends to adopt the following international standards as Botswana Standards:

1. PDS IEC 60745-2-13: Hand-held motor-operated electric tools – Safety – Part 2-13: Particular requirements for chain saws

This International Standard applies to chain saws for cutting wood and designed for use by one person. This standard does not cover chain saws designed for use in conjunction with guide-plate and riving knife or in any other way such as with a support or as a stationary or transportable machine

2. PDS IEC 60745-2-5: Hand-held motor-operated electric tools – Safety – Part 2-5: Particular requirements for circular saws

This International Safety Standard deals with the safety of hand-held motor-operated or magnetically driven electric tools, the rated voltage of the tools being not more than 250 V for single-phase a.c. or d.c. tools, and 440 V for three-phase a.c. tools. Requirements for rechargeable battery-powered motor-operated or magnetically driven tools and battery packs for such tools are also given. This standard applies to circular saws.

3. PDS IEC 60745-2-6: Hand-held motor-operated electric tools – Safety – Part 2-6: Particular requirements for hammers

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BOBS cordially invites interested parties to provide their views regarding the abovementioned standards by **9th November 2011**.

Copies of these international standards may be viewed from the Information Centre of the Botswana Bureau of Standards at Plot No. 55745, Main Airport road, Block 8, Gaborone or Francistown branch at Plot No. 13393/4/5, Insurance House, Second Floor, Francistown.

Suggestions which entail revision of the text should indicate the preferred wording and the relevant clauses should be quoted against each comment.

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