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EGYPT

Verification of Conformity (VoC) Programme



1. Regulation

Authority:	General Organization for Export and Import Control (GOEIC)
Notification:	Ministerial decrees (Ministry of Trade and Industry) No 961/2012, 991&992/2015, 43/2016 and 44/2019
Starting date:	Original starting date for textile and leather products in May 2012, new products added as of March 2016
Appointed company(ies):	Bureau Veritas and other companies appointed by GOEIC
Scope of the regulation:	Conformity assessment of goods exported to Egypt
Assessment based on:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Documentary review - Control testing if any - Physical inspection - Conclusion of the assessment
Remark:	N/A

2. Products subject

Subjected goods(*):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Food and foodstuff - Cosmetics and Hygiene - Construction products - Kitchenware - Electrical and electronic products - Furniture and personal accessories - Automotive and transportation - Toys - Clothing and textile <p>(See Table 1 below for <i>the goods covered by Bureau Veritas</i>)</p>
Second-hand goods:	Not allowed
Prohibited goods:	Annex 1 of Egyptian decree no. 770/2005 and its amendments http://www.goeic.gov.eg/en/Goods_suspended_from_importation.pdf
Counterfeited goods:	Not allowed
Exempted goods:	No threshold for exemption
Minimum value subject to the programme:	All shipments values are subject

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3. Technical requirement

Conformity requirements:	<p>Compliance of goods to mandatory Egyptian standards in priority shall be demonstrated with testing and/or conformity documents issued by an entity accredited ISO 17025. If no mandatory Egyptian standard is applicable, non-mandatory Egyptian standards or international or national standards may be applied instead as per decisions 179 and 180/1996 upon approval from GOEIC</p> <p>Acceptable international and national standards: ISO, IEC, EN, CODEX, BS, DIN, NF, ANSI, JIS, ASTM, JASO, SAE, API</p>
National deviations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As set in the applicable standard for each product - Equipment, machines and apparatuses shall bear a label affixed on the body or package indicating the country of origin in Arabic, English or French(Decree 770: 2005) - If ready-made clothes, linens, carpets and rugs (except for socks and imports for medical purposes and industrial security) the following shall be applied (Decree 770: 2005 with amendment decree number 32: 2006): A woven data card in Arabic shall be affixed on each batch in the process of manufacture with the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Type of material used(composition) b) Country of origin c) Name of the importer - Brand/manufacturer name or trade mark and country of origin shall be scorched on porcelain tableware under the glaze layer (Decree 770: 2005 Annex3) - Manufacturer name, country of Origin, fabric type with its composition (e.g. Cotton 100%) and name of the importer shall be printed at equal intervals on the dyed, printed or finished fabrics (excluding synthetic mink, thick and blackout curtains and products under Chapter 58 of the HS tariff code (Decree 770: 2005 Annex3).
Labelling requirements:	<p>Labels, markings and instructions shall be legible, well stuck, not easy to remove, and at least in Arabic language unless otherwise specified in the applicable standard or national deviations</p>
Other specific requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Radiation test is required for food and feeding products originating from Japan and for food products imported from: Albania, Croatia, Poland, States of the former Soviet Union(Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Estonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Czech Republic, Moldavia, Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Norway, Turkey, Japan (Decree 1186:2003 & 1348:2011) - The following refrigerants are banned to be used in apparatuses and equipment: R-11, R-12, R-13, R-22, R-113, R-114 and R-115 (Decree 770: 2005 Annex 3) - Energy Efficiency labels shall accompany Air Conditioners, Washing Machines, Refrigerators and Freezers, electric fan, electric storage water-heaters, dishwashers and televisions according to the applicable standards for energy efficiency. (*)

4. Application

Applicant:	Exporter or importer
Application name:	Request for certificate (RFC)
Required documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Final Invoice - Transport document (Bill of lading/Air way Bill/CMR...) as available - Conformity documents (test reports, quality certificates, analysis report, etc...) provided by exporters, as technical requirements
Application office(s):	Bureau Veritas offices (see contacts list on Verigates): https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/egypt

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5. Control testing requirements

Applicable cases:	Conformity document not available or not acceptable
Laboratory criteria:	ISO/IEC 17025 accredited laboratory, by a member of ILAC
Testing:	Control testing according to the applicable standards

6. Physical inspection requirements

Scope of inspection:	Review of markings as per applicable standard(s) and identification of products
Destination inspection:	Not allowed
Witness of loading:	Applicable
Seal of container:	Applicable
Sampling:	In case of control testing (see section 5 as above)
Type of report issued:	Inspection report (IR)

7. Conclusion of the Assessment

- Certificate of Inspection (COI)
- Non Conformity Report (NCR)

8. Fees

Paid by Exporter

9. Contact

See contact sheet for details

10. Other relevant information (*)

Appointed Bureau Veritas offices operate *in* the following geographical zone as follows *(with no need to legalize the COI by the Egyptian embassy in the country of export)*:

Bureau Veritas IO Emirates-Dubai: United Arab Emirates, Bahrein, Oman and Kuwait

Bureau Veritas IO China-Shanghai: China

Bureau Veritas IO United states of America-Houston: United States of America

Bureau Veritas IO Thailand: Thailand

Bureau Veritas IO Turkey: Turkey and Europe (if the goods shipped from Europe are food products)

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10. Other relevant information – Cont. (*)

Appointed Bureau Veritas offices operate in the following geographical zone as follows (with the need to legalize the COI by the Egyptian embassy in the country of export):

Bureau Veritas IO Emirates-Dubai: MEA countries (except UAE, Bahrein, Oman and Kuwait), India and Africa

Bureau Veritas IO China-Shanghai: Asia countries (except China and Thailand)

Bureau Veritas IO Turkey: Europe (if the goods shipped from Europe are non-food products) and Russia

(*) Updated information

The information contained herein is for the purpose of facilitating Pre-Shipment Inspection and does not relieve Exporters or Importers from their obligations in respect of compliance with the import regulations of the country of importation. Although every effort has been made to ensure the correctness of the information, as at the date of issuance of this data sheet, Bureau Veritas does not accept any responsibility for errors or omissions and, furthermore, the information may subsequently be subject to change as may be announced by the Authorities in the country of importation. Consequently, Exporters are advised to check with Bureau Veritas, prior to shipment of the goods, if there is any doubt concerning the issuance of a Certificate of Conformity.

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Table 1 (*)

Categories of products that can be processed by appointed Bureau Veritas issuing offices

S.N*	PRODUCT**	HS Code
FOODS AND FOOD PRODUCTS		
1	Milk and its products(except milk for children) put up for retail sale, prepackaged in containers less than 2 kg and to be offered as such to direct consumption	Headings 04.01 - 04.02 - 04.03 - 04.05 - 04.06
2	Preserved and dried fruits put up for retail sale, prepackaged in containers to be offered as such to direct consumption less than 2 kg	Chapter 8
3	Oils and fats put up for retail sale and which does not exceed 5 kg	Chapter 15
5	Chocolates and food products containing cocoa put up for retail sale , prepackaged in containers less than 2 kg and to be offered as such to direct consumption	18.06
4	Sugar confectionaries	17.04
6	Pasta and foods prepared from cereals, bread products and bakery products (except empty capsules for pharmaceutical products)	19.02 - 19.04 - 19.05
7	Fruit juices put up for retail sale prepackaged in containers less than 10 kg	20.09
8	Natural ,mineral and carbonated water	22.02 - 22.01
COSMETIC AND HYGIENE PRODUCTS		
9	Beauty and make - up products, products for oral and dental care, deodorants and antiperspirants, toiletries and perfume products	33.03 - 33.04 - 33.05 - 33.06 - 33.07
10	Soap and washing products used as soap, detergents put up for retail sale	3401.11 - 3401.19 - 3401.2090 - 3401.30 - 3402.20 - 3402.9090
CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS		
14	Refractory bricks, blocks, tiles for household use	6802.10 - 6802.2110 - 6802.9110 - 6904.40 - 6810.19 - 69.07 – 69.08
16	Reinforcing steel	72.13 - 72.14 - 72.15
12	Tubs and shower - baths, sinks, bidet, wash - basins, toilet pans, seats and covers	3922.10 - 3922.20 - 69.10 - 7324.10 - 7324.21 - 7324.29 - 7418.20 - 7508.9020 - 7615.20
ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS		
17	Household appliances (stoves, fryers, air conditioners, fans, washing machines, blenders and heaters..... etc.)	73.21 - 73.22 - 8414.51 - 8415.10 - 8415.81 - 8415.82 - 8415.83 - 8418.10 - 8418.21 - 8418.29 - 8418.30 - 8418.40 - 8422.11 - 8450.11 - 8450.12 - 8450.19 - 8451.21 - 8508.11 - 8509.40 - 8509.80 - 8516.10 - 8516.21 - 8516.31 - 8516.32 - 8516.33 - 8516.40 - 8516.50 - 8516.60 - 8516.71 - 8516.72 - 8516.79 - 8527.12 - 8527.13 - 8527.19 - 8527.91 - 8527.92 - 8527.99 - 8528.71 - 8528.7220 - 8528.7290 - 8528.73

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S.N*	PRODUCT**	HS Code
21	Lighting equipment for household use	9405.10 - 9405.20 - 9405.30 - 9405.4090
28	Razors, hair shavers/clippers/removing and hair dressing appliances.	8212.10 – 8212.2010 – 8510.10 – 8510.20 – 8510.30 - 8516.31 – 8516.32
TOYS		
22	Children Toys	95.03
TEXTILES, CLOTHING & BAGS		
23	Textiles, furnishing fabrics (excluding ready to wear garments, carpets and blankets)	50.07 - 51.11 - 51.12 – 51.13 - 52.08 - 52.09 - 52.10 - 52.11 - 52.12 - 53.09 – 53.11 - 54.07 – 54.08 - 55.12 - 55.13 - 55.14 - 55.15 - 55.16 - 58.01 - 58.02 - 58.04 - 58.05 - 58.09 - 5810.1090 - 5810.91 - 5810.92 - 5810.99 Chapter 60 Chapter 63 (except 63.07)

Categories of products that can't be processed by appointed Bureau Veritas issuing offices

S.N*	PRODUCT**	HS Code
COSMETIC AND HYGIENE PRODUCTS		
13	Toilet Paper and similar paper, diapers and sanitary napkins	9619 - 4818 (except 4818.1090) – 4803
CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS		
24	Floor coverings	Chapter 57 - 39.18 - 4016.91
KITCHENWARE PRODUCTS		
11	Cutlery and kitchen utensils	39.24 - 4419 - 69.11 - 69.12 - 73.23 - 7418.10 - 7615.10 - 8211.10 - 8211.91 - 82.15
15	Glass Tableware	70.13
ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS		
29	Telephone sets	8517.11 – 8517.12
FURNITURE & PERSONAL ACCESSORIES		
18	Home and office furniture	9401.30 - 9401.40 - 9401.51 - 9401.59 - 9401.61 - 9401.69 - 9401.7190 - 9401.79 - 9401.8090 - 94.03 - 94.04
20	Watches	Chapter 91
27	Articles for the conveyance or packing of goods (cartons, boxes, bags and other packing containers)	39.23 - 48.19
AUTOMOTIVE & TRANSPORTATION		
19	Bicycles, motorcycles and those supplied with engine	87.11 - 87.12

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S.N*	PRODUCT**	HS Code
TEXTILES, CLOTHING & BAGS		
23	Clothing (ready to wear garments), carpets and blankets	50.07 - 51.11 - 51.12 – 51.13 - 52.08 - 52.09 - 52.10 - 52.11 - 52.12 - 53.09 – 53.11 - 54.07 – 54.08 - 55.12 - 55.13 - 55.14 - 55.15 - 55.16 - 58.01 - 58.02 - 58.04 - 58.05 - 58.09 - 5810.1090 - 5810.91 - 5810.92 - 5810.99 Chapter 60 Chapter 63 (except 63.07) Chapter 61 (except 6113.0010 - 6114.3010 - 6115.10 - 6116.1010)
26	Bags/cases (suit-cases, handbags, travelling bags...)	4202.11 – 4202.12 – 4202.19 – 4202.21 – 4202.22 – 4202.29
25	Footwear	64.01 - 64.02 - 64.03 - 64.04 - 64.05

*S.N: Numbers corresponding to the list of products on Egyptian Official Gazette – Issue 267, Supplement (A) on December 31.2015

** Including regulated products (excluding spare parts) shipped in Complete knock-down or Semi knocked-down form (CKD or SKD) and food raw materials of the regulated food products