

GABONESE CONSIGNMENT BASED CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT - PROGEC GABON



1. Regulation

Authority:	AGANOR – Gabonese Standardization Agency
Notification:	Communication regarding PROGEC by The Ministry of Industry, Mining and Tourism on June 22th, 2015
Starting date:	May 21 st , 2016: date of Bill of Lading (B/L)
Appointed company(ies):	Bureau Veritas and other conformity assessment bodies
Scope of the regulation:	Conformity assessment of goods exported to Gabon
Assessment based on:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Documentary review ▪ Control testing ▪ Physical inspection ▪ Facilitation procedures ▪ Conclusion of the assessment
Remark (*):	Revision of the 2015 provisions postponed until a further date.

2. Products subject

Subjected goods :	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Machinery, Mechanical appliances, Electrical and electronic products: HS chapters 84, 85 and 94 • Building products and Chemical products: HS chapters 28, 29, 31, 32, 35, 38, 39, 40, 44, 45, 46, 68, 69, 70, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83 • Medical devices, Body care & Health products, Toys: HS chap. 33, 34, 90 and 95
Second-hand goods:	Subject
Prohibited goods:	Non-compliant goods
Counterfeited goods:	Prohibited
Exempted goods:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parcels without commercial value and express mail • Commercial samples • Goods from governments or international organizations to recognized humanitarian and charitable organizations • Personal gifts and personal belongings • Humanitarian goods from foreign governments or organizations in case of disaster • Goods for the diplomatic community • Goods purchased with donations and external funds
Minimum value subject to the programme:	3000 € (FOB value) (*)

3. Technical requirement

Conformity requirements:	Compliance of goods to applicable Gabonese or international standards shall be demonstrated with conformity documents issued by accredited/competent entities and/or testing
National deviations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type of plugs and sockets: French type (EN 50075, NF C 61-314, NF C 61-315, Type E (CEE 7)) • Voltage: products connected to the mains shall be rated 220V (230V accepted) • Frequency: products connected to the mains shall be rated 50Hz • Hydroquinone is prohibited in cosmetic products

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Labelling requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Language: For consumer products, markings and instructions required per the applicable standards shall be at least in French For industrial and professional products, markings and instructions required per the applicable standards shall be at least in French or in English
Other specific requirements:	N/A

4. Application

Applicant:	Exporter
Application name:	Request for certificate (RFC)
Required documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final invoice (proforma invoice is acceptable for application) Conformity documents (test reports, quality certificates, analysis reports, etc.) provided by exporters, as per technical requirements Quality certificate regarding the management system of the manufacturer(s) of the goods
Required information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HS codes FOB value
Application office(s):	Bureau Veritas offices (see contacts list on Verigates): https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/programmes/gabon

5. Control testing requirements

Applicable cases:	Conformity document not available or not acceptable
Laboratory criteria:	ISO 17025 accredited laboratory, In-house laboratory of certified Manufacturer (after specific assessment)
Testing:	According to 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:	When required
Seal of container:	When required
Sampling:	In case of control testing (see section 5 as above)
Type of report issued:	Inspection report (IR)

7. Facilitation procedures

- Route B – Exporter Registration
- Route C – Manufacturing Licensing

8. Conclusion of the Assessment

- Certificate of Conformity (CoC – Certificat de Conformité CdC)
- Non Conformity Report (NCR – Rapport de Non-Conformité RNC)

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9. Fees

Paid by Exporter

Fees structure:

Routes	Ad valorem fee as a % of the FOB value of the consignment	Minimum fee in Euros	Maximum fee in Euros
A	0.53	300	7000
B	0.45	300	7000
C	0.27	220	7000

The above fees, which are net of any taxes, cover the documentary verification, the physical inspection (if applicable) and conclusion (CoC or NCR), **but do not include:**

- Testing: to be quoted on a case by case basis
- Registration fees
- Manufacturing Licensing
- Re-inspection due to vain inspection
- Sampling of bulk shipments
- Cost incurred by the Seller in presenting the goods for inspection and/or testing
- Witness of loading and sealing of the containers
- Audits
- Industrial inspections
- Other fees not mentioned above

Registration fees structure:

Products/Line items	Annual registration fees (in Euros)
The first 15 line items	375
Each additional line items (above 15 line items)	20 (per line item)

10. Contact

See contacts sheet for details on Verigates: <https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/programmes/gabon>

11. Other relevant information

N/A

(*) Latest updates

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