



Verification of Conformity

*Boost your exports
Demonstrate compliance of your products*



REPUBLIC OF SOMALIA

**Consignment Based Conformity
Assessment (CBCA) program**



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SCOPE

CBCA PROGRAM

On May 14th 2023, the **Somali Bureau of Standards (SOBS)** has appointed **Bureau Veritas** to implement the **Conformity Based Conformity Assessment program**.

Bureau Veritas verifies, in the region of export and prior to shipment, the conformity of the goods to Somali standards and other approved standards/regulations; issues the Certificate of Conformity required for customs clearance of the goods in Somalia.

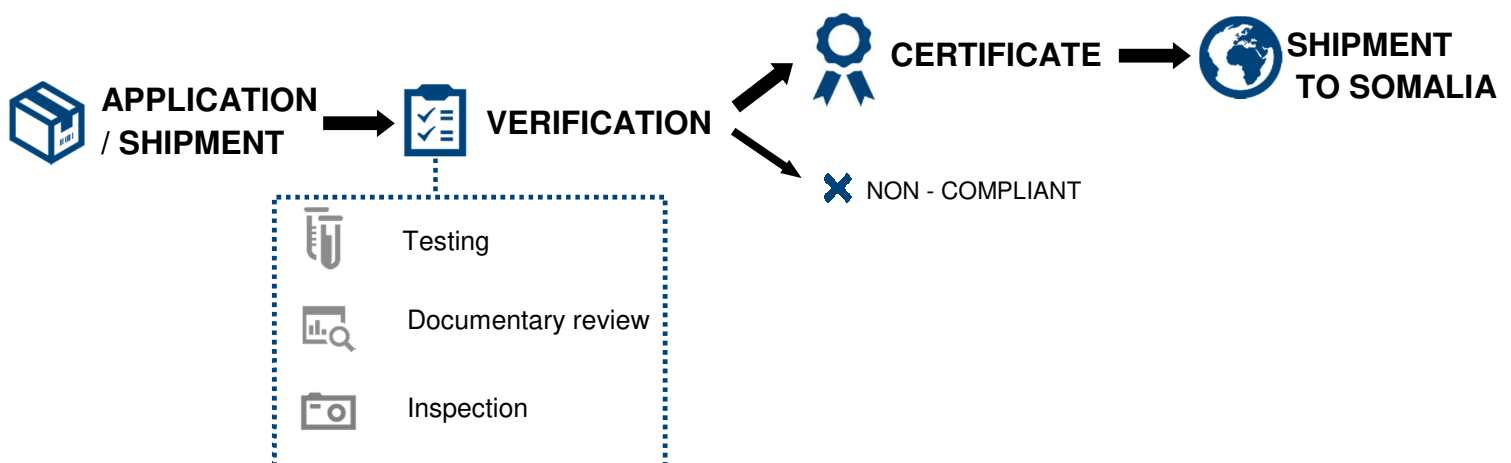
OBJECTIVES

- To safeguard the well-being of consumers, maintain quality of products, and protect the environment.
- To prevent unfair trade practices and dumping of substandard goods by enforcing equal requirements for imported and locally manufactured products.
- To streamline and improve the efficiency of clearance procedures for imported goods at ports of entry.

PRODUCTS COVERED

- All products (see Datasheet for exclusions)

BASIC PROCESS OVERVIEW



PROCESS



Step 1 : Request for Certificate

Exporter lodges an on-line Request for Certificate of Conformity (available on <https://verigates.bureauveritas.com>) or fills up the Request For Certificate (RFC) Form and sends it to a Bureau Veritas local contact (see Contacts sheet). Said request should include:

- List, designation of goods intended to be exported, importer / exporter details (name, address, invoice, ...)
- Conformity documents available (ex: Third party certificate, Test reports, Reports of analysis according to quality and safety standards)
- Certificate of the manufacturer according to ISO 9001 or other quality standard such as ISO 22000, ISO/TS 16949, ISO 13485... if any,
- Information related to local and provisional date of availability of goods to carry out their physical inspection before shipment.

Step 2 : Routes to compliance

To facilitate trade and adjust intervention to the risk, 4 different routes are available in our CBCA Program to demonstrate compliance:

- Route **A** : for any good and any trader
- Route **B (Registration)**: for goods already registered by Bureau Veritas
- Route **C (Licensing)**: for goods already licensed by Bureau Veritas
- Route **D**: for consolidated cargo imported by registered consolidators with SOBS

Step 3 : Documentary review / Testing

Bureau Veritas reviews all information provided and checks their adequacy against the Somali and other approved standards/regulations. Laboratory testing / analysis are conducted on samples if necessary.

Step 4 : Inspection

Bureau Veritas checks that:

- Products comply with applicable standards
- Goods presented are those identified during the documentary review
- Goods match their description in the import / export documents
- If necessary, Bureau Veritas inspectors may take samples for additional assessment.
- Wherever applicable, Bureau Veritas witnesses containers loading and seals the containers (Full Container Load – FCL)

Step 5 : CBCA Certificate

Bureau Veritas checks the inspection report against the provided documents. Upon satisfactory results, a secured Certificate of Conformity is issued, or else, a Non-Conformity Report is produced. Exporters are recommended not to ship their goods prior issuance of the required Certificate.



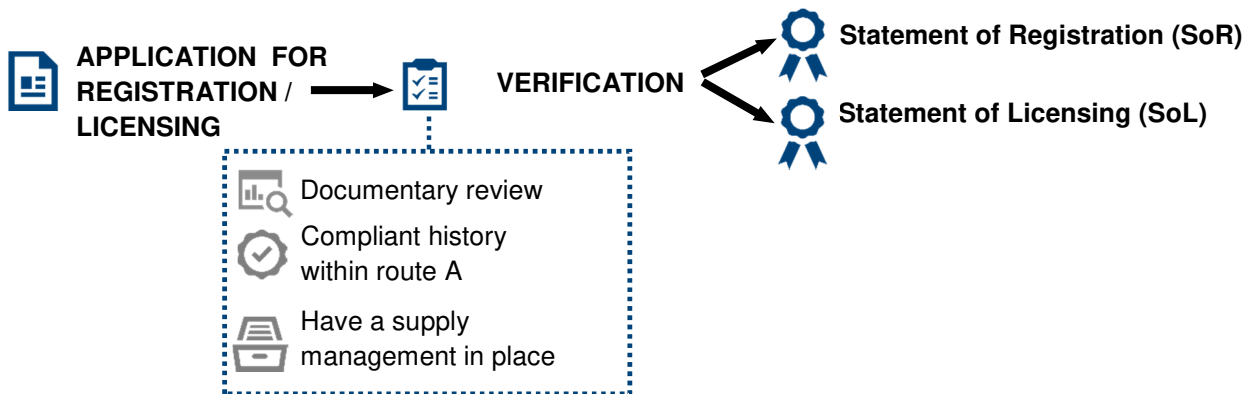
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Registration (Route B) and Licensing (Route C) are options offered for regular importer/exporter to Somalia. The documents and system in place to ensure conformity to CBCA program of Somalia requirements are preliminary reviewed (test report, certificate, results of testing, inspection, factory audit...).

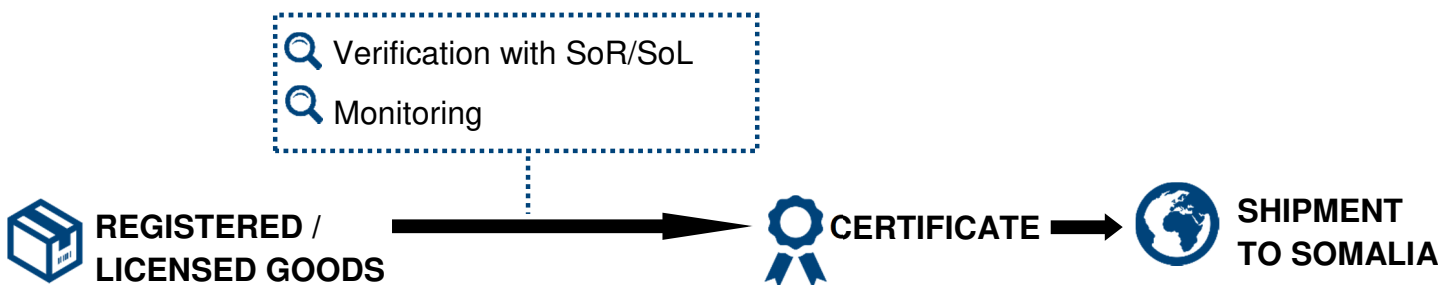
Registration and Licensing

Registration and Licensing application



Shipment verification

SoR/SoL reduces the documentary review and inspection of shipment and speed up the issuance of certificate in performing the necessary monitoring.



Find list of contacts and detailed information about the programme on <http://verigates.bureauveritas.com>

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