

# DATA SHEET GHANA EasyPASS Programme



## 1. Regulation

Authority:	Ghana Standards Authority (GSA)
Notification:	Notice to Importers published on November 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Starting date:	Launched on May 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2018 Mandatory application from January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2019 (Date of Shipment)
Appointment:	BUREAU VERITAS (BIVAC) and other conformity assessment bodies
Scope of the regulation:	Conformity assessment of goods exported to the Republic of Ghana
Assessment based on:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Documentary review</li> <li>▪ Control testing</li> <li>▪ Inspection</li> <li>▪ Facilitation procedures</li> <li>▪ Conclusion of the assessment</li> </ul>
Remark:	N/A

## 2. Products subject

Subjected goods (*):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mineral products</li> <li>• Products of the chemical or allied industries</li> <li>• Plastics, rubber and articles</li> <li>• Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles</li> <li>• Pulp of Wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material</li> <li>• Textiles and textile articles</li> <li>• Articles of stone, plasters, cement, asbestos, mica...</li> <li>• Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones...</li> <li>• Base metals and articles of base metal</li> <li>• Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; Parts thereof...</li> <li>• Non-exempted vehicles, Aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment</li> <li>• Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring... instruments and apparatus</li> <li>• Miscellaneous manufactured articles</li> <li>• Vehicle tyres and spare parts</li> </ul> <p>having their HS code (as per Ghana CET HS 2017) included below two first numerical digits: 25, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 3403, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 42, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 89, 90, 94, 95, 96.</p>
Second-hand goods (*):	Not subject
Prohibited goods:	<p>Second hand/used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• undergarments and handkerchiefs</li> <li>• mattresses</li> <li>• sanitary ware</li> <li>• refrigerator, refrigerator-freezer and freezer</li> <li>• LPG cylinders</li> </ul> <p>Incandescent filament lamp except for motor vehicle lights, flood lights, halogen lights, spotlights or searchlights, airport runway lights, street lights and special purpose lights including theatre or stage lights</p>
Counterfeited goods:	Prohibited

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Exempted goods (*):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Second-hand (used) goods</i></li> <li>- <i>FDA regulated products (Food products, Cosmetic products, pharmaceutical products and Household chemical substances).</i></li> <li>- <i>On a voluntary basis: motor vehicles (except Agricultural and forestry tractors such as Farm tractors, forestry tractors, lawn tractors, etc.; Off-road vehicles for the carriage of goods and that do not travel public streets or highways such as forklifts, cranes, backhoes, bulldozers, etc...) and motorcycles</i></li> </ul>
Minimum value subject to the programme:	<i>USD 2000 (FOB value)</i>

### 3. Technical requirement

Conformity requirements:	<p><i>Compliance of goods to applicable standards in priority order*, in addition to national deviations, shall be demonstrated with testing and/or conformity documents issued by accredited entities.</i></p> <p><i>*Applicable standards in priority order: Ghanaian standards, then International standards, then European and National Standards, then Manufacturer Specifications in the absence of Ghanaian, International, European and National standards.</i></p>
National deviations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Type of plugs and sockets: 3 squared pins (BS 1363. Other kind of plugs could be accepted if provided with a compliant plug adapter (male part being compliant to BS 1363)</i></li> <li>• <i>Voltage: Products connected to the mains shall be rated 220V or 230V or 240V</i></li> <li>• <i>Frequency: Products connected to the mains shall be rated 50Hz</i></li> <li>• <i>Energy Efficiency Label is required for non-ducted air conditioners, self-ballasted fluorescent lamps and household refrigerating appliances</i></li> <li>• <i>The remaining shelf life's requirement on arrival (time between the date of arrival at destination and the date of durability/expiry) should not be less than three months to the expiry date.</i></li> </ul>
Labelling requirements:	<i>Markings and instructions required per applicable standards shall be at least in English</i>
Other specific requirements:	<i>N/A</i>

### 4. Application

Applicant:	<i>Exporter</i>
Application name:	<i>Request for certificate (RFC)</i>
Required documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Final invoice (proforma invoice is acceptable for application)</i></li> <li>• <i>Conformity documents (test reports, quality certificates, analysis reports, etc.)</i></li> <li>• <i>Quality certificate regarding the management system of the manufacturer(s) of the goods (if available)</i></li> </ul>
Application office(s):	<p><i>Bureau Veritas offices</i></p> <p><i>See contacts list on Verigates: <a href="https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/programmes/ghana">https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/programmes/ghana</a></i></p>

### 5. Control testing requirements

Applicable cases:	<i>Conformity document not available or not acceptable</i>
Laboratory criteria:	<p><i>ISO 17025 accredited laboratory</i></p> <p><i>Under conditions: manufacturer's in-house laboratories, other third party laboratories.</i></p>
Testing:	<i>Control testing according to the essential requirements of the applicable standards</i>

## 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 - Registration
- Route C - Licensing

## 8. Conclusion of the Assessment

- Certificate of Conformity (CoC)
- Non Conformity Report (NCR)

## 9. Fees

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### Fees structure:

- Route A – 0.50 % of FOB value of the goods imported with minimum fee per shipment USD 300
- Route B – 0.45 % of FOB value of the goods imported with minimum fee per shipment USD 275
- Route C – 0.35% of FOB value of the goods imported with minimum fee per shipment USD 250

For registration fees (under route B), it shall be USD 375 for the first 15 products/ line items. Every additional product/ line item above 15 products/ items is charged an additional USD 20.

The above fees cover the documentary verification and the physical inspections of the goods **but do not include:**

- Testing: to be quoted on a case by case basis
- Container sealing if required
- Manufacturing Licensing
- Re-inspection due to vain inspection
- Cost incurred by the Seller in presenting the goods for inspection and/or testing
- Other fees not mentioned above

## 10. Contact

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

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**11. Other relevant information**

<https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/programmes/ghana>

*(\*) Updated information*

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