

DATA SHEET ZANZIBAR

PRE-EXPORT VERIFICATION of CONFORMITY TO STANDARDS (PVoC) PROGRAMME



1. Regulation

Authority:	Zanzibar Bureau of Standards (ZBS)
Notification:	The notice to importers and clearing agents – Implementation of a Pre-export verification Programme (PVoC) released on ZBS website on October 2016.
Starting date:	01/11/2016
Renewal date (*):	June 28 th , 2023
Appointed company(ies):	Bureau Veritas and other conformity assessment body as stated on ZBS website
Scope of the regulation:	Conformity assessment of goods exported to Zanzibar
Assessment based on:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Documentary review ▪ Control testing if any ▪ Inspection ▪ Facilitation procedures ▪ Conclusion of the assessment
Remark:	N/A

2. Products subject

Subjected goods:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Toys and sports II. Electrical and electronics III. Automotive IV. Chemical products V. Mechanical material and gas appliances VI. Paper and stationary VII. Furniture (Wood & metal articles) VIII. Textile, leather, plastic and rubber IX. Safety (Personal protective) equipment X. Food and food products XI. Used Products
Second-hand goods:	Yes, Specific requirements
Prohibited/restricted goods:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All goods prohibited and restricted by the East African Community Customs Management Act (see annex 1 and 2)
Counterfeited goods:	Not allowed
Exempted goods:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petroleum products • Products from ZBS certified suppliers • Products from EAC partner states (Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi) that have been certified by National Bureau of Standards • Used motor vehicles
Minimum value subject to the programme:	1,000 USD

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3. Technical requirement

Conformity requirements:	<p><i>Compliance of goods to applicable standards in priority order* shall be demonstrated with conformity documents issued by accredited entities and/or testing.</i></p> <p><i>* Applicable standards in priority order: Zanzibar standards (ZNS), then Tanzanian standards (TZS), then EAS standards, then International standards (ISO, IEC, Codex Alimentarius UN ECE), then National standards, then Manufacturer specification in the absence of ZNS, TZS, EAS, international and national standards applicable to the product.</i></p>
National deviations:	<p><i>If electrical product intended to be connected to the mains (220V or 230V or 240V), marking of the frequency shall include 50Hz (not applicable to lamps) and if provided, the plug shall be UK type plug (squared pins).</i></p> <p><i>Other kind of plugs could be accepted if provided with a 3 squared pins plug adapter.</i></p>
Labelling requirements:	<p><i>All labelling of packaging of imports shall include English and / or Swahili. All food imports with a limited shelf life shall have:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>For food products with a shelf life of 9 months or more: at least 6 months of shelf life remaining.</i> - <i>For food products with less than 9 months of shelf life: at least 75% shelf life remaining from the date of expected arrival in Zanzibar.</i>
Other specific requirements:	<i>No specific requirements</i>

4. Application

Applicant:	<i>Exporter or importer</i>
Application name:	<i>Request for certificate (RFC) Form</i>
Required documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Final invoice</i> • <i>Transport document (Bill of Lading/Air Way Bill/ CMR...), if available</i> • <i>Conformity documents (test reports, quality certificates, analysis reports, etc.) provided by exporters, as per technical requirements</i>
Required information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Declared FOB value</i> • <i>Declared HS codes according to EAC tariff book</i>
Application office(s):	<i>Bureau Veritas offices (see contacts sheet on Verigates):</i> https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/programmes/tanzania

5. Control testing requirements

Applicable cases:	<i>Conformity document not available or not acceptable</i>
Laboratory criteria:	<i>ISO 17025 accredited laboratory, In-house laboratory of certified manufacturers (after specific assessment)</i>
Testing:	<i>According to applicable standards</i>

6. Inspection requirements

Scope of inspection:	Review of markings as per applicable standard(s) and identification of products
Destination inspection:	Not allowed
Witness of loading:	Not required
Seal of container:	Not 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	Requests for Certificate dated before the 1 st of July 2023	Requests for Certificate dated on and after the 1 st of July 2023
Route A	0.53 % of FOB value of the goods imported	0.58 % of FOB value of the goods imported
Route B	0.45 % of FOB value of the goods imported	0.50 % of FOB value of the goods imported
Route C	0.25 % of FOB value of the goods imported	0.28 % of FOB value of the goods imported
Minimum fee per shipment	USD 250	USD 275
Maximum fee per shipment	USD 3,000	USD 3,300

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

- Testing: to be quoted on a case-by-case basis
- Container sealing if required
- Registration fee
- Licensing fee
- Re-inspection
- Cost incurred by the seller in presenting the goods for inspection and/or testing
- Sampling of bulk shipments
- Other fees not mentioned above

10. Contact

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11. Other relevant information

Additional details available on Verigates: <https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/sub-programme/zanzibar-pvoc?id=59>

() Updated information*

The information contained herein is for the purpose of facilitating Verification of Conformity 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.

Annex 1: List of prohibited goods

1. All goods the importation of which is for the time being prohibited under the East African Community Customs Management Act or by any written law for the time being in force in the partner state.
2. False money and counterfeit currency notes and coins and any money not being of the established standard in weight and fineness.
3. Pornographic material in all kinds of media, indecent or obscene printed paintings, books, cards, lithographs or other engravings and any other indecent or obscene articles.
4. Matches in the manufacture of which white phosphorous has been employed.
5. Any article made without proper authority with the Armorial Ensigns or coat of Arms of a partner state or having such Ensigns or Arms so closely resembling them as to be calculated to deceive.
6. Distilled beverages containing essential oils or chemical products which are injurious to health, including thijone, star arise, benzoic aldehyde, salicylic esters, hyssop and absinthe. Provided that nothing in this paragraph contained shall apply to "Anise and Anisette" liquors containing not more than 0.1 per centum of oil of anise and distillates from either pimpinella anisum or the star arise allicium verum.
7. Narcotic drugs under international control.
8. Hazardous wastes and their disposal as provided for under the base conventions.
9. All soaps and cosmetic products containing mercury.
10. Used tyres for light commercial vehicles and passenger cars.
11. The following Agricultural and Industrial Chemicals:
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2.4-T	Aldrin	Caplafol
Chlordirneform	Chlorobexilate	DDT
Dieldrin	1.2-Dibroacethanel (EDB)	Flouroacelamide
HCH	Hiplanchlor	Monocrolophs (certain formulations)
Methamidophos	Phospharmion	Methyl-parathion and Parathion
 - b. Industrial Chemicals:

Crocidolite	Polychlorinated biphenyls (PBB)
Polychlorinted Biphenyls (PCB)	Polychlorinated Terphyenylys (PCT)
Tris (2.3 dibromopropyl) phosphate	Methylbromide (to be phased out in accordance with the Montreal protocol by 2007)
 - c. Counterfeit goods of all kinds.
 - d. Plastic articles of less than 30 microns for the conveyance or packing of goods

Annex 2: List of restricted goods

1. All goods the importation of which is for the time being regulated under the East African Community Customs Management Act or by any written law for the time being in force in the Partner State.
2. Postal franking machines except and in accordance with the terms of a written permit granted by a competent authority of the partner state.
3. Traps capable of killing or capturing any game animal except and in accordance with the terms of a written permit granted by the partner state.
4. Unwrought precious metal or precious stones.
5. Arms and ammunitions specified under chapter 93 of the Customs Nomenclature.
6. Ossein and bones treated with acid.
7. Other bones and horns- cores, unworked defatted, simply prepared (but not cut to shape) degelatinized, powder and waste of these products.
8. Ivory, elephant unworked or simply prepared but not cut to shape.
9. Teeth, hippopotamus unworked or simply prepared but not cut to shape.
10. Horns, rhinoceros, unworked or simply prepared but not cut to shape.
11. Other ivory unworked or simply prepared but not cut to shape.
12. Ivory powder and waste.
13. Tortoise shell, whalebone and whalebone hair, horns, antlers, hoovers, nail, claws and beaks, unworked or simply prepared but not cut to shape powder and waste or these products.
14. Coral and similar materials, unworked, or simply prepared but not otherwise worked shells of molasses, crustaceans or echinoderms and cattle-bone, unworked or simply prepared but not cut to shape powder and waste thereof.
15. Natural sponges of animal origin.
16. Spent (irradiated) fuel elements (cartridges) of nuclear reactors.
17. Worked ivory and articles of ivory.
18. Bone, tortoise shell, horn, antlers, coral, mother-of pearl and other animal carves.
19. Ozone Depleting Substances under the Montreal Protocol (1987) and the Vienna Convention (1985).
20. Genetically modified products.
21. Non indigenous species of fish or egg of progeny.
22. Endangered Species of World Flora and Fauna and their products in accordance with CITES March 1973 and amendments thereof.
23. Commercial casings (second hand tyres).
24. All psychotropic drugs under international control.
25. Historical artefacts.
26. Goods specified under chapter 36 of the Customs Nomenclature (for example, percussion caps, detonators, signalling flares).
27. Parts of guns and ammunitions, of base metals (Section XV of the Harmonised Commodity Description and Coding System), or similar goods of plastic under chapter 39 of Customs Nomenclature.
28. Armoured fighting vehicles under heading No 8710 of the customs Nomenclature.
29. Telescope sights or other optical devices suitable for use with arms, unless mounted on a firearm or presented with the firearm on which they are designed to be mounted under Chapter 90 of the Customs Nomenclature.
30. Bows arrows, fencing foils or toys under Chapter 95 of the Customs Nomenclature.
31. Collector's pieces or antiques of guns and ammunition under heading N° 9705 or 9706 of the Customs Nomenclature.