

PRE-SHIPMENT VERIFICATION OF CONFORMITY (PVoC)

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OVERVIEW

Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) has implemented guidelines called the Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity (PVoC) to Standards Programme.

It is a Conformity Assessment and Verification procedure applied to specific goods/products in the exporting country, to ensure their compliance with applicable Tanzanian Technical Regulations and Mandatory Standards or Approved Equivalent Standards.

Consignments subject to PVoC must obtain a Certificate of Conformity (CoC) for Customs clearance in Tanzania.

The three routes under PVoC are given below:

- Route A for Unregistered/ Unlicensed
 Products
- Route B for Registered Products
- Route C for Licensed Products

4 STEPS TO EXPORTING YOUR PRODUCT



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PRODUCT COMPLIANCE

Products requiring a Certificate of Conformity

Every consignment of regulated products exported to Tanzania requires a Certificate of Conformity for clearance at Tanzanian Customs.

The regulated products shall comply with the Tanzanian Essential Requirements, Technical Regulations and approved Standards prior to their export to Tanzania.

Products exempt from a Certificate of Conformity

Exporters are advised to verify in the TBS website for an updated and complete list of Excluded, Prohibited, and Restricted Products.

The List also available on **intertek.com** these products include but not limited to:

- Personal goods / belongings
- Raw materials
- Goods for mining and exploration activities

However, the above listed exempted products may be subjected to Destination Inspection by TBS on its arrival at Tanzanian Ports and Customs.

ROUTES TO EXPORT

Route A Unregistered/Unlicensed Products (For Occasional Exporters)

Intertek offers services in the evaluation of products according to the requirements mandated by TBS. The evaluation process includes the following:

- Physical inspection of goods which includes verification of the product's essential markings and physical requirements as per approved Tanzanian Standards and technical regulations
- Testing according to the applicable product safety standard or technical regulation by an accredited laboratory such as Intertek prior to their export to Tanzania
- Issuance of CoC on successful evaluation of Test Report and physical inspection report





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ROUTES TO EXPORT

Route B Registered Products (For Frequent Exporters)

Registration is issued to an Applicant under Route B and can be used for multiple shipments for a period one year from its date of issue:

- Manufacturer / Exporter must demonstrate that their products comply with the Tanzanian Essential Requirements, Technical Regulations and approved Standards
- An assessment to be made that products meet the level of compliance required before Registration is granted
- CoC will be issued on the basis of the valid Statement of Registration (SoR) and successful selective inspections of shipments



PRODUCT LICENSING



Route C Licensed Products (For High volume Exporters)

Licence is issued to Manufacturers under Route C and can be used for multiple shipments for a period of one year from its date of issue:

- Products must demonstrate full compliance with the Tanzanian Essential Requirements, Technical Regulations and approved Standards
- Factory audit of all licensed product manufacturing sites to ensure compliance with standard(s)
- CoC will be issued on the basis of the valid Licence and successful random physical inspections



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The party applying for conformity assessment and certification services is responsible for the payment of fees to Intertek.

1. Registration and Licensing - Fees for Registration and Licensing are payable by the party submitting the application.



2. Shipment Certification - Fees for Pre-Shipment inspection are as stipulated and published by TBS. The fee guidelines is as tabulated below.

Conformity Assessment Fees (Verification Fees)

Type of certificate	Route	Ad valorem fee as a percentage of the declared FOB value	Minimum Fee (USD)	Maximum Fee (USD)
Shipment Certificate (CoC)	A	0.50%	\$ 250.00	\$ 5,000.00
	В	0.45%	\$ 250.00	\$ 5,000.00
	С	0.25%	\$ 250.00	\$ 5,000.00

Notes

1. The above mentioned fees cover the documentary verification, inspection of goods

- 2. The above fees exclude laboratory testing, registration and licensing of products
- 3. The Registration and Licensing fees are subject to the type of product being Registered or Licensed. Exporters need to contact their local Intertek office for a quotation.

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Key:

- CoC Certificate of Conformity
- CSC Customer Service Centre
- FOB Free on Board
- PSI Pre Shipment Inspection
- RFC Request For Certification
- RLC Registration and Licensing Centre
- SoR Statement of Registration
- PVoC Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity

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