Verification of Conformity
Boost your exports
Demonstrate compliance of your products

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity to Standards (PVoC)

Move Forward with Confidence
SCOPE

PVOC PROGRAM

Starting January 18th 2012, Bureau Veritas has been appointed by Kenya Bureau of Standards to undertake the Pre-Export Verification of Conformity (PVoC) to Standard Services. This program which has been renewed since February 19th, 2018 applies to all goods exported for specific regions (Please see below).

OBJECTIVES

- Consumer and environment Protection
- Conformity assurance
- Faster goods release at the Kenyan entry points with the appropriate Certificate of Conformity (CoC)

TYPE OF PRODUCTS COVERED

- All products unless exempted (Refer to the Datasheet for further details)

REGIONS COVERED

- Zone 1: United Kingdom, Ireland
- Zone 2: China Mainland, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Mongolia
- Zone 3: India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Myanmar
- Zone 7: USA, Canada
- Zone 10: Turkey, Greece, Cyprus, Spain, Portugal, Malta
- Zone 11: Italy, France, Switzerland, Belgium, Luxembourg, Liechtenstein, Germany, Austria and the Netherlands
- Zone 14: United Arab Emirates
- Zone 19: Zambia, Malawi, Mozambique, Madagascar, Seychelles, Namibia, Lesotho, South Africa, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Swaziland, Mauritius

BASIC PROCESS OVERVIEW

APPLICATION / SHIPMENT

VERIFICATION

CERTIFICATE

SHIPMENT TO KENYA

Testing
Audit
Documentary review

NON-COMPLIANT

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Step 1: Request for Certificate

Importer / Exporter lodges a Request for Certificate to a Bureau Veritas contact (please see next page). 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)
- Informations related to local and provisional date of availability of goods to carry out their physical inspection before shipment. (Filling up of the Request For Certificate (RFC) Form)

Step 2: Routes to compliance

To facilitate trade and adjust intervention to the risk, 3 different routes are available in our PVoC Program to demonstrate compliance:

- Route A: for any good and any trader
- Route B: for goods already registered by Bureau Veritas
- Route C: for goods already licensed by Bureau Veritas

Step 3: Documentary review / Testing

Bureau Veritas reviews all information provided and checks their adequacy against the Kenyan standards. 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.
- Upon request and wherever feasible, Bureau Veritas witnesses containers loading and seals the containers

Step 5: PVoC

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.
FACILITATION PROCEDURE

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

Registration and Licensing

Registration and Licensing application

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION / LICENSING → VERIFICATION

- Documentary review
- Compliant history within route A
- Have a supply management in place

Statement of Registration (SoR)
Statement of Licensing (SoL)

Shipment verification

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

Verification with SoR/SoL
Monitoring

REGISTERED / LICENSED GOODS → CERTIFICATE → SHIPMENT TO KENYA

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

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