Verification of Conformity

Boost your exports
Demonstrate compliance of your products

GHANA EasyPASS Programme

Move Forward with Confidence
SCOPE

Easy PASS PROGRAMME

The Ghana Standards Authority has appointed Bureau Veritas to implement the Ghana Easy PASS Programme which becomes mandatory from January 1st, 2019.

Bureau Veritas verifies, in the region of export and prior to shipment, the conformity of the goods to Ghanaian and/or international standards and issues the Certificate of Conformity that is required for Customs clearance of the goods in Ghana.

OBJECTIVES

- Protection of the consumer and the environment
- Conformity Assurance
- Swift customs clearance with the appropriate Certificate of Conformity

LIST OF PRODUCTS

The below product categories are subject to the EasyPASS Programme:

- I. Toys, Games and Sports equipment
- II. Electrical and Electronic products
- III. Chemical Products (except household chemical substances)
- IV. Mechanical Materials and Gas Appliances
- V. Pulp of wood, paper and paper board
- VI. Furniture (Wood and Metal base articles)
- VII. Construction Materials
- VIII. Fuel/Petroleum Products
- IX. Textile, Textile Articles and Leatherwear
- X. Mining Equipment and Parts
- XI. Glass and Glassware

Refer to the List of HS Chapters.

BASIC PROCESS OVERVIEW

APPLICATION / SHIPMENT → VERIFICATION

CERTIFICATE → SHIPMENT TO GHANA

Testing  
Inspection  
Documentary review

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PROCESS

Step 1 : Request for Certificate

Importer / Exporter lodges a Request for Certificate to a Bureau Veritas local contact. 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 QHSE - Quality, Health, Safety and Environment - standards)
- Information 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 Easy PASS Programme to demonstrate compliance:

- Route A: Any good, any trader
- Route B (Registration): Goods already registered by Bureau Veritas
- Route C (Licensing): Goods already licensed by Bureau Veritas

Step 3 : Documentary review / Testing

Bureau Veritas reviews all information provided and checks their adequacy against the Ghanaian 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.

Step 5 : Easy PASS Certificate

Bureau Veritas checks the inspection report against the provided documents. Upon satisfactory results, a secured Easy PASS Certificate is issued, 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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FACILITATION PROCEDURE

Registration (Route B) and Licensing (Route C) are options offered for regular importer/exporter to Ghana. The documents and system in place to ensure conformity to Ghanaian 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/or inspection of shipment and speed up the issuance of certificate in performing the necessary monitoring.

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

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