

DATA SHEET

GHANA

EasyPASS Programme



1. Regulation

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

2. Products subject

Subjected goods (*):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toys, Games and Sports equipment: HS Chapter 95 • Electrical and Electronic products: HS Chapter 85 • Chemical Products: HS Chapters 28, 29, 31, 32, 36, 37, 38 • Mechanical materials and Gas appliances: HS Chapters 73, 84 • Pulp of Wood, Paper and Paperboard: HS Chapters 47, 48 • Furniture (Wood & metal base articles): HS Chapter 94 • Construction Materials: HS Chapters 25, 72, 74, 76, 7308, 9406 • Fuel/Petroleum Products: HS Chapters 27, 3403 • Textile, Textile articles and Leatherwear: HS Chapters 42, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63 • Mining equipment and parts: HS Chapters 39, 40, 42, 48, 49, 53, 54, 56, 58, 59, 63, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 89, 90, 94, 96 • Glass and glassware: HS Chapter 70
Second-hand goods:	Subject (except the prohibited used products below)
Prohibited goods:	<p>Second hand/used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • undergarments and handkerchiefs • mattresses • sanitary ware • refrigerator, refrigerator-freezer and freezer • LPG cylinders <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
Exempted goods (*):	Tyres, motor vehicles, motorcycles, vehicle spare parts, salt, FDA regulated products (Food products, Cosmetic products, Pharmaceutical products and Household chemical substances)
Minimum value subject to the programme:	N/A

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3. Technical requirement

Conformity requirements:	<i>Compliance of goods to applicable standards in priority order*</i> , in addition to national deviations, shall be demonstrated with testing and/or conformity documents issued by accredited entities. <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>
National deviations (*):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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> • <i>Voltage: Products connected to the mains shall be rated 220V or 230V or 240V</i> • <i>Frequency: Products connected to the mains shall be rated 50Hz</i> • <i>Energy Efficiency Label is required for non-ducted air conditioners, self-ballasted fluorescent lamps and household refrigerating appliances</i>
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"> • <i>Final invoice (proforma invoice is acceptable for application)</i> • <i>Conformity documents (test reports, quality certificates, analysis reports, etc.)</i> • <i>Quality certificate regarding the management system of the manufacturer(s) of the goods (if available)</i>
Application office(s):	<i>Bureau Veritas offices</i> <i>See contacts list on Verigates : http://verigates.bureauveritas.com</i>

5. Control testing requirements

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

6. Physical inspection requirements

Scope of inspection:	<i>Review of markings as per applicable standard(s) and identification of products</i>
Destination inspection:	<i>Not allowed</i>
Witness of loading:	<i>When required</i>
Seal of container:	<i>When required</i>
Sampling:	<i>In case of control testing (see section 5 as above)</i>
Type of report issued:	<i>Inspection report (IR)</i>

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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

11. Other relevant information

N/A

() Updated information*

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