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Report Highlights:

This report complements the FAIRS Annual Country Report for Tanzania and provides information on required certificates for exporting food and agricultural products to Tanzania. The Government of Tanzania (GoT) uses the Tanzania National Business Portal as a single point for exporters and importers to electronically submit and receive approvals from all regulatory agencies involved in international trade.

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Executive Summary:

Tanzania's food regulatory system is generally consistent with the Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) agreement of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and other international treaties including Codex Alimentarius, the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), and the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC).

The Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) is responsible for all matters concerning the importation and inspection of imported food products. The main regulations against which TBS evaluates U.S. exports to Tanzania are available on the [TBS website](#) or [Tanzania National Business Portal](#)

Section I: List of All Export Certificates Required by Government of Tanzania

| Product | Title of Certificates | Attestation Required on Certificate | Purpose | Requesting Ministry(Regulatory Agency) |
|-------------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Most food products. | Certificate of Conformity (COC). | Product conforms to Tanzania's applicable standards. | Product quality and food safety. | Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS). |
| All forest products. | Plant import permit and phytosanitary certificate. | For specific product attestation, requirements visit the TBS website and the Ministry of Agriculture website . | Plant and animal health. | Ministry of Agriculture (Plant Health Services). |
| Meat and meat products. | Meat and meat products import/export certificate. | For specific product attestation, requirements visit the Tanzania Meat Board and TBS website | Animal health and food safety. | Tanzania Veterinary Service, Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority, and Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission. |
| Fish and fish products. | Import permit and radioactivity analysis certificate. | Products conform to Tanzania testing requirements. | Food safety. | Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority and Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission. |
| Milk and milk products. | Import permit and Radioactivity analysis certificate. | Products conform to Tanzania's testing requirement. | Food safety. | Tanzania Veterinary Service, Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority, and Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission |

| | | | | |
|--|---|---|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Food, feed, or ingredients containing GE products. | Import permit for products containing GMOs. | Product conforms to Tanzania's biosafety regulations. | Safety of GE products. | Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) |
|--|---|---|------------------------|------------------------------------|

Before shipping to Tanzania, all consignments are subject to a pre-shipment verification of conformity (PVoC) and must obtain customs clearance documents and a certificate of conformity (CoC). Failure to obtain a CoC will result in fines or rejected shipments. The PVoC is carried out by authorized third-party agencies.

The PVoC program is currently run by four inspection companies appointed by TBS. These companies include SGS, Intertek International, Bureau Veritas, and CCIC. CCIC's contract is only valid for inspection in Mainland China, Macau, Hong Kong, and Taiwan.

The following activities are conducted during PVoC:

- Physical inspection before shipment.
- Sampling, testing, and analysis in accredited laboratories.
- Quality audit of production processes.
- Documentary review of conformity with regulations.
- Issuance of CoC or Non-Conformity Report (NCR) as appropriate.

Section II: Purpose of Specific Export Certificate

See table in section I.

Section III: Specific Attestation Required On Export Certificate

See table in section I.

Section IV: Government Certificate Legal Entry Requirements

| Title of the Certificate | Is the certificate required at entry? | How long is the certificate valid? | Can the certificate be applied to multiple shipments? | Does Tanzania accept a supplier's or manufacture's export declaration as proof of compliance? |
|--|--|--|---|---|
| Certificate of conformity (COC). | Required for all products subject to PVoC. | Three months. | No. | No. |
| Phytosanitary certificate. | Yes. | Offered per consignment. Each certificate covers the shipment period according to the import permit. | No. | No. |
| Plant import permit. | Yes. | Offered per consignment. Each certificate covers the shipment period according to the import permit. | No. | No. |
| Radioactivity analysis certificate. | Yes. | Offered per consignment. Each certificate covers the shipment period according to the import permit. | No. | No. |
| Import permit for GMO containing products. | Yes. | Offered per consignment. Each certificate covers the shipment period according to the import permit. | No. | No. |
| Meat import permit | Yes | Offered per consignment. Each certificate covers the shipment period according to the import permit. | No | No |

Section V: Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements

In addition to the above certificates, the GoT requires the below for imported products:

- An original pro forma invoice from the supplier of goods.
- A bill of lading or airway bill.
- A certificate of analysis of products (original).
- A food security permit.
- A zoo-sanitary certificate (for non-processed food of animal origin).

- A blank certificate of origin depending on the country of origin.
- A certificate of good manufacturing practices.
- Relevant insurance documents.

Additional information is available at the [Tanzania National Business Portal](#).

Tanzania's Meat Board offers [Clearance Certificates](#) for the purpose of regulating the meat industry market. Additionally, the Veterinary Services Department (DVS) offers import and export permits for the purpose of controlling of animal diseases.

Appendix I: Example Certificates

A. Phytosanitary Certificate

FOURTEENTH SCHEDULE

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THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATIVES
Plant Protection Division
Plant Quarantine and Phytosanitary Service
P.O. Box 9071
Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATE
(Under regulation 53)
(To be filled in Quadruplicate)

Plant Protection Service
of TANZANIA

No.....

This is to certify that the plants, parts of plants or plant products described below or representative samples of them were thoroughly examined on by an authorized officer of the Ministry of Agriculture and were found to the best of his/her knowledge to be substantially free from injurious plant pests; *and that consignment is believed to conform with the current phytosanitary regulations of the importing country both as stated in the additional declaration and otherwise.

*Fumigation or disinfection treatment:

Date Duration of Exposure
Treatment Chemical and concentration

Additional declaration: The Plant Protection Regulations have been observed.

.....
(Signature)

(Official stamp)

.....
Inspector-in-charge

**Delete as required*

DESCRIPTION OF CONSIGNMENT

Name and address of exporter
Name and address of consignee.....
Number and description of packages
Last country from which shipment was made
Distinguishing marks
Means of conveyancePoint of entry.....
Quantity and name of product
Botanical name

• *No liability attached to the Plant Protection Division or any of its officers in respect of this certificate.*

B. Radioactivity Analysis Certificate

TANZANIA ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION
(Official Government body responsible for Atomic Energy Matters)

Telephone: +255 27 2970050/51/52/53
Cellphone: +255 754 36122 (HDG)
Tel/Fax: +255 27 2970054
E-mail: official@taec.or.tz
Website: http://www.taec.or.tz



P.O. Box 743
ARUSHA
TANZANIA

Reference NO. [TAEC/ENVI _____] Sample Mark: [RAC 84046/2017]

THE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT, No. 7, 2003 CONTROL OF RADIATION CONTAMINATED FOODSTUFFS) REGULATIONS, 1998
RADIOACTIVITY ANALYSIS CERTIFICATE
(Issued pursuant to Sections 30, 31, 74 of the Act above for purposes of Export / Import)

Particulars of Consignment as Declared by Exporter/Importer

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| DESCRIPTION OF GOODS/ARTICLES: | _____ |
| QUANTITY: | 200 METRIC TONS |
| CONSIGNMENT NO. OR SHIPPING MARK: | INVOICE NO. _____ |
| EXPORTER/SHIPPER: | _____ |
| CONSIGNEE: | _____ |
| SHIPPING VESSEL: | BY SEA |
| POINT OF EXIT / ENTRY: | DAR ES SALAAM PORT |
| DESTINATION: | INDIA |

This is to certify that the above-mentioned Goods/Articles have been analysed in accordance with the IAEA's Guidelines for food analysis and the results are as follows:-

CAESIUM-137: { BDL } Bq/Kg CAESIUM-134: { BDL } Bq/Kg IODINE-131: { BDL } Bq/Kg:

COMMENTS: [The Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission, on the basis of Atomic Energy Act, No. 7 of 2003, part IV hereby certifies for the purposes of the By-Laws "Control of Radiation Contaminated Foodstuffs, Regulations, 1998" in Tanzania relating to importation/Exportation of foodstuffs and other related goods that the above specified products/goods are free from artificial radioactive material and therefore fit for human consumption].

Date of Analysis: _____ analysed by: GOODCHANCE MBOYA

(Official Stamp) _____ checked by: _____

_____ authorization: _____

Date of Issue: _____ signature: FOR: DIRECTOR GENERAL

No financial liability with respect to this certificate shall attach to the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania, the Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission or to any of its Officers or representatives. This Certificate is valid for three (3) months from date of issue.

C. Certificate of Registration of Forest Produce Dealer/Trader

ORIGINAL



THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

THIRTY EIGHT SCHEDULE

Form No. FD. 34

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(The Forest Regulations, 2004)
(Made under regulation 54(2))

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF FOREST PRODUCE DEALER/TRADER

S/No.....

Regional Forest Office.....

M/s(Name).....

Who is/are carrying on business dealing with (Name/s forest produce) at (address).....Is/are hereby registered as forest produce dealer/trader under the provisions of section 106 of the Forest Act, 2002. This Certificate of Registration shall expire on 30th June,

Date

Name and Signature

Authorized Officer

REGION

APPROVED

Director of Forestry

Date

(Name, Signature and Stamp)

Fees paid Tshs. ERV Receipt No. Dated:

CONDITIONS:

1. The holder of this Certificate shall maintain a daily register of stock separately for the forest produce concerned.
2. The stock register shall be produced on demand before any Senior Forestry Officer.
3. The Certificate is not transferable and apply to one site of business.

SCHEDULE C

Prescribed Fees for Registration of Forest Produce Dealers/Traders for each site per year

| Category of Dealer/Trader | Annual Fee in Shillings | Category of Dealer/Trader | Annual Fee in Shillings | Category of Dealer/Trader | Annual Fee in Shillings |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 1 Trees | 270,000.00 | 9 Chipboard mill | 1,000,000.00 | 17 Importers of Forest Products | 512,000.00 |
| 2 Timber (For pit sawyers in productive natural forest) | 256,000.00 | 10 Hardboard mill | 1,000,000.00 | 18 Charcoal | 256,000.00 |
| 3 Timber yard | 256,000.00 | 11 Plywood mill | 1,000,000.00 | 19 Firewood | 256,000.00 |
| 4 Logs | 256,000.00 | 12 Pulp and paper-mill | 2,000,000.00 | 20 Furniture | 256,000.00 |
| 5 Poles | 256,000.00 | 13 Match Box Factory | 1,000,000.00 | 21 Wood works factory | 384,000.00 |
| 6 Withies | 64,000.00 | 14 Impregnation Plant | 512,000.00 | 22 Carpentry | 25,600.00 |
| 7 Sawmill (capacity of up to 5,000m ³ /year) | 512,000.00 | 15 Curio shops (Forest Products) | 256,000.00 | 23 Other forest Products/Produce Dealers | 128,000.00 |
| 8 Sawmill (capacity of up to 5,001-10,000m ³ /year) | 1,000,000.00 | 16 Exporters of Forest Products | 512,000.00 | | |

Government Printer Dar

Attachments:

No Attachments