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Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards Report

FAIRS Export Certificate Report

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Report Highlights:

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

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

Products	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry(Regulatory Agency)
Almost all food and food products.	Certificate of Conformity (COC).	Product conforms to Tanzania's applicable standards in priority order.	Ensures only quality goods gain entry, thereby offering the necessary protection to consumers in safety, health, and environmental matters.	Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS).
All forests products.	Plant import permit Phytosanitary certificate	For specific product attestation, requirements visit TFDA website and the Ministry of Agriculture website .	Plant and Animal Health.	Ministry of Agriculture (Plant Health Services).
Meat and meat products.		Products conform to Tanzania testing requirements.	Animal health and food safety.	Tanzania Veterinary Service and Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority and Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission.
Fish and Fish products.	Import permit 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 radioactivity analysis certificate.	Products conforms to Tanzania testing requirement.	Food safety.	Tanzania Veterinary Service and Tanzania Food and Drugs. Authority and Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission
Food, feed, or ingredients containing GE products.	Import permit for products containing GMO.	Product conforms to Tanzania's Biosafety (import, export, and transit regulations).	Safety of GE products.	Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority

Section II: Purpose of Specific Export Certificate

A. Certificate of Conformity (COC)

The Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS), which is a statutory organization of the government of Tanzania, implemented the Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity (PVoC) Standards Program to ensure a) that consumers buy safe and quality imported goods, and b) that Tanzanian manufacturers have protection from unfair competition. In September 2018, TBS awarded the PVoC certification services contract to Intertek Government and Trade services.

All consignments subject to PVoC must obtain a Certificate of Conformity (CoC) issued by an authorized PVoC Agent, such as Intertek, prior to shipment. The CoC is a mandatory document for Customs Clearance in Tanzania; consignments arriving at Tanzanian Ports without this document will be denied entry into the country.

The key elements undertaken in the PVoC are:

- Physical inspection prior to 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.

B. Radioactivity Analysis Certificate

Ensures food is free from radiation.

C. Phytosanitary Certificate

The Ministry of Agriculture's Department of Plant Health Services certifies plant and plant products are free from regulated pests and conform to other Phytosanitary requirements of the exporting country.

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 on multiple shipments?	Does Tanzania accept suppliers or manufactures 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. It covers shipment period according to the import permit.	No.	No.
Plant Import Permit.	Yes.	Offered per consignment. It covers shipment period according to the import permit.	No.	No.
Radioactivity Analysis Certificate.	Yes.	Offered per consignment. It covers shipment period according to the import permit.	No.	No.
Import Permit for GMO Containing Products.	Yes.	Offered per consignment. It covers shipment period according to the import permit	No.	No.

Section V: Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements

GoT also requires the following:

- Original pro forma invoice from the supplier of goods;
- Bill of lading or airway bill;
- Certificate of analysis of products (original) if buying from the manufacturer;
- Food security permit;
- Zoo-sanitary certificate (for non-processed food of animal origin);
- Blank certificate of origin depending with the country of origin;
- Certificate of good manufacturing products (GMP); and
- Insurance documents on U.S. exports to Tanzania

Information is available at The [Tanzania National Business Portal](#).

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)

**Delete as required*

.....
Inspector-in-charge

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 conveyance Point 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/ENV/]	Sample Mark: [RAC 84046/2017]
THE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT, No. 7, 2003 CONTROL OF RADIATION CONTAMINATED FOODSTUFFS) REGULATIONS, 1998 RADIOACTIVITY ANALYSIS CERTIFICATE <i>(Issued pursuant to Sections 30, 31, 74 of the Act above for purposes of Export / Import)</i>	
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 (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

(Name, Signature and Stamp)

Date

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 be 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 Hardwood 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		

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