# PROGRAMME OF VERIFICATION OF CONFORMITY COTE D'IVOIRE





### 1. Regulation

Authority:	Ministère du Commerce, de l'Industrie et de la Promotion des PME (Ministry of Commerce, Industry and SME Promotion)			
Notification :	Notice to Importers, published on June 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2018			
Starting date :	Launched on April 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2018 Mandatory implementation from July 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2018 (Date of Bill of Lading) Relaunch from February 15th			
Appointed company(ies):	Bureau Veritas and other conformity assessment bodies			
Scope of the regulation:	Conformity assessment of goods exported to Côte d'Ivoire			
Assessment based on:	<ul> <li>Documentary review</li> <li>Control testing</li> <li>Physical inspection</li> <li>Facilitation procedures</li> <li>Conclusion of the assessment</li> </ul>			
Remark:	N/A			

### 2. Products subject

Subject goods (*):	<ol> <li>Food products</li> <li>Electrical and electronic products or products of renewable energies</li> <li>Cosmetics and hygiene products</li> <li>Building materials</li> <li>Packaging</li> <li>Auto spare parts, auto accessories and lubricants</li> <li>Machinery</li> <li>Pressure equipment</li> <li>PPE</li> <li>Other products linked to health, safety and environment</li> <li>Textile</li> <li>Footwear</li> <li>Toys</li> </ol> The list of regulated HS codes is available on the website of Ministry of Commerce, Industry and SME Promotion: https://www.commerce.gouv.ci/commerce-exterieur/voc/	
Second-hand goods:	Subject, except used vehicles	
Prohibited goods:	<ul> <li>Non-compliant goods</li> <li>Analog televisions and televisions non-compliant with broadcasting and compression standards</li> <li>Cosmetic products containing hydroquinone, mercury, corticoids, corticosteroids and derivatives from retinol</li> <li>Freon R22 and products containing Freon R22</li> <li>Asbestos and products containing asbestos</li> </ul>	
Counterfeited goods:	Prohibited	

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Exempted goods:	<ul> <li>Gold and other precious metals;</li> <li>Precious stones;</li> <li>Explosives, arms, ammunitions and other war materials intended to national armed Forces and Forces of Order;</li> <li>Live animals;</li> <li>Fresh vegetable and fruits;</li> <li>Fresh and frozen fish;</li> <li>Fresh and frozen meat;</li> <li>Plants and floriculture products;</li> <li>Local products or traditional crafts from community origin;</li> <li>Pharmaceutical products and raw materials used in pharmaceutical products manufacturing;</li> <li>Newspapers and periodical magazines, post stamps, revenue stamps, bank notes, check books, passports and certain other printed documents;</li> <li>Personal belongings and used household effects;</li> <li>Used vehicles;</li> <li>Crude oil or partially refined;</li> <li>Imports for diplomatic entities or international organizations for their own use;</li> <li>Imports onder free port regime;</li> <li>Production machinery subject or benefiting from exemption as part of the Investments Code on request sent to the Follow-Up Committee of the VoC Programme;</li> <li>Inputs used in local industry that have been pre-registered by the Follow-Up Committee of the VoC programme;</li> <li>Express air freight.</li> </ul>
Minimum value subject to the programme:	1 000 000 XOF (1 525 €) (FOB value)

## 3. Technical requirement

Conformity requirements:	Compliance of goods to applicable standards* shall be demonstrated with conformity documents issued by accredited entities, manufacturers' in-house laboratory and/or testing.  *Applicable standards in priority order: Ivoirian technical regulations and standards, then Regional standards, then International standards (ISO, IEC, Codex Alimentarius, UN ECE), then Manufacturer Specifications in the absence of Ivoirian technical regulations and International standards.	
National deviations:	<ul> <li>Type of plugs and sockets: French type (EN 50075, NF C 61-314, NF C 61-315, Type E (CEE 7)). Other kind of plugs could be accepted if provided with a compliant adaptor</li> <li>Voltage: products connected to the mains shall be rated 220V (230V accepted)</li> <li>Frequency: Products connected to the mains shall be rated 50Hz</li> <li>Hydroquinone, mercury, corticoids, corticosteroids and derivatives from retinol are prohibited in cosmetic products</li> <li>Vehicles: Steering wheel on the left hand side.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>List of Ivoirian Technical regulations:</li> <li>Interministerial decree n°16 MIC.IMINAGRA.IMSPS of January 25<sup>th</sup>, 1993, enforcing Decree n°83-808 of August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1983, related to powder milks and dry milks</li> <li>Decree n°65-74 of March 6th, 1965, setting specific markings rules for tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and matches</li> <li>Decree n°78-138 of February 17th, 1978, enforcing Law n°63-301 of June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1963, about the Prevention of Fraud, related to bleach and Bleach extracts</li> </ul>	



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	<ul> <li>Decree n°92-487 of August 26th, 1992, related to labelling and presentation of foodstuff</li> <li>Decree n°92-595 of September 30th, 1992, enforcing Law n°63-301 of June 26th, 1963, about the Prevention of Fraud, related to canned food and partially-preserved foodstuff</li> <li>Decree n°92-777 of November 6th, 1992, related to manufacturing and marketing of conduits used in electrical installations</li> <li>Decree n°94-303 of June 1st, 1994, enforcing Law n°63-301 of June 26th, 1963, about the Prevention of Fraud in goods marketing and foodstuff falsifications, related to manufacturing and marketing of food salts</li> <li>Decree n°97-379 of July 2nd, 1997, setting quality and marketing of cover metal sheets in Ivory Coast</li> <li>Decree n°2001-609 of September 26th, 2001, related to manufacturing and marketing of vegetable juices, fruit juices, and similar products</li> <li>Decree n°2015-288 of April 29th, 2015 setting regulation for cosmetic products and hygiene products</li> <li>Decree n°2018-512 of May 30th, 2018, making mandatory iodization of salt, fortification in iron and folic acid of flour and enrichment in vitamin A of oil</li> <li>List of Ivoirian standards:</li> <li>Decree n°2016-1152 of December 28th, 2016, making mandatory the application of certain standards</li> </ul>		
Labelling requirements:	Language: For consumer products, markings and instructions required per applicable standards/Technical regulations shall be at least in French For industrial or professional products, markings and instructions required per applicable standards/Technical regulations shall be at least in French or in English.		
Other specific requirements:	N/A		

## 4. Application

Applicant:	Exporter	
Application name:	Request for certificate (RFC)	
Required documents:	<ul> <li>Final invoice (proforma invoice is acceptable for application)</li> <li>Conformity documents (test reports, quality certificates, analysis reports, etc.)</li> <li>Quality certificate regarding the management system of the manufacturer(s) of the goods (if available)</li> </ul>	
Required information:	<ul><li>HS codes</li><li>FOB value</li></ul>	
Application office(s):	Bureau Veritas offices (see contacts list on Verigates: <a href="http://verigates.bureauveritas.com">http://verigates.bureauveritas.com</a> )	

# 5. Control testing requirements

Applicable cases:	Conformity document not available or not acceptable	
Laboratory criteria:	ISO 17025 accredited laboratory, In-house laboratory (after specific assessment)	
Testing:	According to applicable standards	





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#### 6. Physical inspection requirements

Scope of inspection:	Review of markings as per applicable standard(s) and identification of products		
Destination inspection:	Exceptionally authorized during the pilot phase, for a limited number of shipments and on request motivated by the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and SME Promotion		
Witness of loading:	When required		
Seal of container:	When required		
Sampling:	In case of control testing (see section 5 as above)		
Type of report issued:	Inspection report (IR)		

#### 7. Facilitation procedures

- Registration
- Licensing

#### 8. Conclusion of the Assessment

- Certificate of Conformity (CoC)
- Non Conformity Report (NCR)

#### 9. Fees

Paid by Exporter

#### Fees structure:

Routes	Ad valorem fee as a % of the FOB value of the consignment	Minimum fee	Maximum fee
Α	0.45	197 000 CFA (300 €)	2 684 000 CFA (4 092 €)
В	0.40	187 150 CFA (285 €)	2 549 800 CFA (3 887 €)
С	0.30	167 450 CFA (255 €)	2 281 400 CFA (3 478 €)

The above fees, which are net of any taxes, cover the documentary verification, the physical inspection (if applicable) and conclusion (CoC or NCR). These fees do not include:

- Testing: to be quoted on a case by case basis
- Registration fees: 275 € per registration
- Manufacturing Licensing
- Re-inspection due to vain inspection
- Sampling of bulk shipments
- Cost incurred by the Seller in presenting the goods for inspection and/or testing
- Witness of loading and sealing of the containers
- **Audits**
- Industrial inspections
- Other fees not mentioned above





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10. Contact

See contact sheet for details

11. Other relevant information

N/A

## (\*) Updated information

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