

DATA SHEET

GHANA

EasyPASS Programme



1. Regulation

Authority:	Ghana Standards Authority (GSA)
Notification:	Notice to Importers published on April 9 th , 2018
Starting date:	May 1 st , 2018 (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"> • Group I. Toys, Games and Sports equipment • Group II. Electrical and Electronics • Group III. Automotive Products (including new and used vehicles) • Group IV. Chemical Products • Group V. Mechanical Materials and Gas Appliances • Group VI. Pulp of wood, paper and paper board • Group VII. Furniture (Wood and Metal articles) • Group VIII. Safety (Personal Protective Equipment) • Group IX. Construction Materials • Group X. Fuel/Petroleum Products • Group XI. Textile, Textile Articles and Leatherware including African Prints • Group XII. Selected Used Products (Used clothes and footwear) <p>(Refer to the full list of products under the EasyPASS programme for details on Verigates: http://verigates.bureauveritas.com/ghana)</p>
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:	-
Minimum value subject to the programme:	N/A

3. Technical requirement

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Conformity requirements:	Compliance of goods to applicable standards in priority order*, in addition to national deviations, shall be demonstrated with testing and/or conformity documents issued by accredited entities. *Applicable standards in priority order: Ghanaian standards, then International standards, then Manufacturer Specifications in the absence of Ghanaian and International standards.
Language:	Markings and instructions required per applicable standards shall be at least in English.
National deviations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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) Voltage: Products connected to the mains shall be rated 220V or 230V or 240V Frequency: Products connected to the mains shall be rated 50Hz Vehicles: steering wheel on left hand side Energy Efficiency Label is required for non-ducted air conditioners, self-ballasted fluorescent lamps and household refrigerating appliances
Labelling requirements:	Markings and instructions required per applicable standards shall be at least in English.
Other specific requirements:	N/A

4. Application

Applicant:	Exporter
Application name:	Request for certificate (RFC)
Required documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final invoice (proforma invoice is acceptable for application) Conformity documents (test reports, quality certificates, analysis reports, etc.) Quality certificate regarding the management system of the manufacturer(s) of the goods (if available)
Application office(s):	Bureau Veritas offices See contacts list on Verigates : http://verigates.bureauveritas.com

5. Control testing requirements

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

6. Physical inspection requirements

Scope of inspection:	Review of markings as per applicable standard(s) and identification of products
Destination inspection:	Not allowed
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

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- Route B - Registration
- Route C - Licensing

8. Conclusion of the Assessment

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

9. Fees

Paid by Exporter

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

Used vehicle fees: 300 USD per vehicle.

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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