

Trading with Botswana

Helping you comply with export and import requirements

Exporters/Importers trading with Botswana need to comply with the requirements of the Botswana Bureau of Standards (BOBS) Import Inspections Regulations (SIIR) to Standards Programme in order for their goods to clear customs. Failure to do so can result in severe delays in goods clearance, penalties or even shipments being returned.

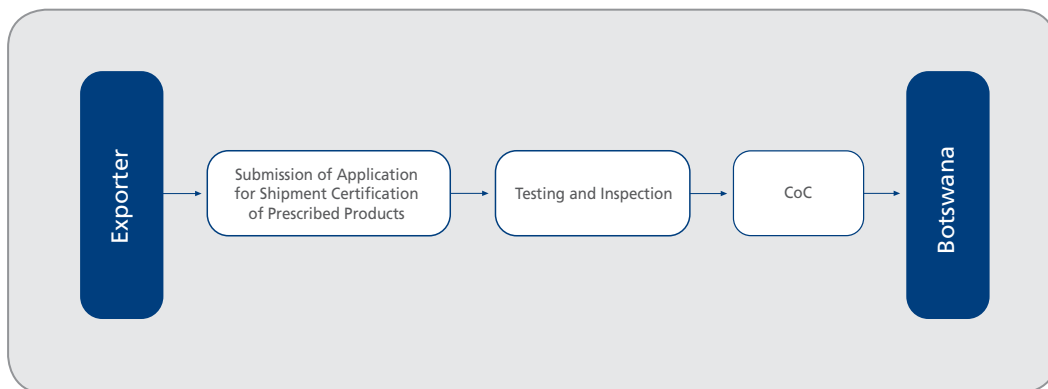
The Botswana SIIR has been implemented to assure Botswana consumers of the quality and safety of imported goods and to facilitate trade. 'Regulated Products' within the programme require a Certificate of Compliance which verifies, in the respective exporting countries, that the products comply with the applicable Botswana technical regulations and mandatory standards or approved equivalent International/National Standards.





The requirements for the SIIR include:

- Every consignment of imported goods which contains regulated products must be accompanied by a Certificate of Compliance (CoC) issued by your local Intertek Office prior to shipment.
- The Certificate of Compliance is required to ensure smooth Customs clearance of shipments in Botswana.
- The Certificate of Compliance confirms that the products comply with the relevant Botswana technical regulations and approved standards.
- The authorities in Botswana may take random samples from imported consignments to verify compliance.
- Additional details on the SIIR procedure and a list of Regulated Products currently requiring certification are available at www.intertek.com/government



The Intertek Solution helping you export to Botswana

Intertek has experience in providing solutions to businesses exporting a wide range of products to worldwide. We have undertaken more assessments of more products for longer than any other organisation.

- Intertek has a global network of offices that have operated the conformity programmes for many years, issuing over 1.5 million certificates and test reports.
- Our staff are experts on Botswana standards and requirements as well as understanding the needs of exporters and importers.
- Intertek has one of the world's largest networks of laboratories, authorised to test to Botswana requirements including electrical, agricultural and many others.
- The Certificate of Compliance is recognised and trusted by BOBS and by Botswana Customs.
- Intertek can provide a tailor-made service that meets your particular needs, including:
 - Submission of assessment requests online
 - Automated e-mails for status of certificates
 - Flexible certificate delivery solutions for high volume users

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