



Introduction

Intertek Government and Trade Services have been solely appointed by the Government of Mozambique to carry out pre-shipment inspection (PSI) on all imports indicated in the table at the end of these Guidelines unless officially exempt from this programme.

The scope of the Intertek programme includes physical inspection in the country of export to establish compliance with the order specification and assessment of price, customs classification and import duties payable.

Importers are required to complete a Pre-Advice Form (PAF) for all imports subject to inspection. Upon receipt of the PAF from the Importer, Intertek will contact the Exporter and arrange inspection in the country of supply through their network of overseas offices. Upon satisfactory findings, Intertek will issue a Documento Único Certificado (DUC) to the Importer.

Frequently Asked Questions

What happens if I ship without inspection?

If goods that appear on the Positive list arrive in Mozambique without inspection, then the importer will have to submit to Intertek Mozambique, a request for a destination inspection, will pay for the full costs of DI and will incur an additional penalty of 10% of the assessed CIF value of the goods.

What Imports are subject to Pre-shipment Inspection (PSI)?

PSI is mandatory for a number of goods set out in a 'Positive List'. If the goods being imported appear on this positive list, then the goods ARE subject to inspection. The parameters of this programme are set by the Revenue Authority of Mozambique working together with Intertek. Consequently, this list is subject to change over time and traders are advised to keep up to date with the latest list. Where a pro-forma invoice contains both exempt and subject goods, all the goods will be inspected by Intertek and a corresponding DUC will be issued.

What do I have to do?

The Intertek office nearest to you will send you a Request for Information (RFI) letter. You should reply promptly to this letter providing the following information: Your 'MOZ' Reference No.; Desired date and location of inspection (providing a minimum of 3 working days notice); Whether the goods are being shipped by Full Container Load (FCL); Pricing/Valuation Information as requested; Full details of the goods to be inspected; Any relevant Test Certificates or Certificates of Analysis

Should I pack my goods prior to inspection?

Goods should be presented along with the packaging to be used. Where packaging must be opened, the inspector will observe the re-packaging. Where goods are shipped FCL the goods are to be presented at the time and place of loading in order that the Inspector may perform inspection, take photographs, witness stuffing and perform sealing. The Exporter or Exporter's Agent will be required to countersign the Inspector's report acknowledging the result.

What is Customs Classification?

Intertek are required to determine the correct customs tariff code in accordance with the Mozambique Customs Tariff

book to establish the rate of duty payable upon importation.

What is Customs Valuation?

The customs valuation or price verification undertaken by Intertek seeks to determine whether the price being charged by the Seller, as declared to us in the pro-forma invoice, corresponds within reasonable limits with export prices generally prevailing in the country of supply. Where the Exporter does not present freight and insurance charges to the IO (Intertek Issuing Office), Intertek will assess values for customs valuation purposes only. The reference date for customs valuation/price verification will be the date of the order or pro-forma invoice. Where our customs valuation/price verification indicates that your prices are significantly below the reasonable limit for the export prices prevailing in the country of supply, you will be contacted and given an opportunity to comment. Our assessment of the export market price will only be amended if you can provide us with written information enabling us to change our opinion. Price data and all related information supplied to Intertek is held in the strictest confidence.

What documents do you require from me?

A clean final invoice, with the following information: Invoice number and date of issuance; Names of the Importer and Exporter, as per the pro-forma invoice; Detailed quantity and description of goods; All unit prices and extensions; Total price and applicable Incoterms (e.g. FOB etc.); The gross and net weights of the consignment; Any shipping marks. **Note:** Final invoices that show a price adjustment arising from fluctuating exchange rates cannot be accepted unless expressly allowed for under the terms and conditions of the pro-forma invoice. Faxed documents are acceptable.

It is in your best interest and the interests of your Importer that you submit a copy of your Final Invoice at the earliest possible opportunity. We would recommend that you include it with your initial response to our RFI letter.

The certificate will be issued to the importer within three working days of the receipt of the Exporter's correct and acceptable Final invoice

What happens if I fail to present final documents?

Failure to do so within 3 working days of inspection may result in the issuance of a Non-Negotiable Report of Findings (NNRF) and delay in Customs Clearance upon arrival.



Positive List

The goods indicated below are subject to compulsory Pre-Shipment Inspection. Where the chapter has been indicated, this means that all the goods contained in this chapter are subject to PSI. The quantities indicated in the exclusions refer to a single transaction (that is, they may be declared on one DUC up to the quantity indicated without requiring PSI).

CHAPTER & TARIFF CODE POSITION	EXCLUSIONS FROM PRE-SHIPMENT INSPECTION
Chapter 2 HS Code 02.07.12; 02.07.14; 02.07.25; 02.07.27; 02.07.33; 02.07.36. – Frozen Poultry	None
Chapter 11 HS Code 11.02 - Flour	Quantities up to 20 Kgs
Chapter 15 HS Code 15.07; 15.08; 15.11; 15.12; 15.13; 15.15 – Cooking Oil and Unrefined Cooking Oil	Quantities up to 20 litres
Chapter 25 HS Code 25.23 - Cement	Quantities up to 100 Kgs
Chapter 28 - Chemical products	None
Chapter 29 - Chemical products	None
Chapter 30 – Medicines	Quantities considered reasonable for personal use
Chapter 36 HS Code 36.05 – matches	None
Chapter 40 HS Code 40.11; 40.12 – New tyres and used tyres	Quantities up to 5 tyres
Chapter 87 – Vehicles HS Code 87.01 – 87.05; 87.11	New vehicles which have never been registered at place of origin

Prohibited Imports

1	Merchandise with fabrication labels of false commerce or origin, books and works of art when they are counterfeit editions.
2	Objects, photographs, albums, recordings of sound or images and film of a pornographic nature or other materials that where judged offensive to public morals and dignity
3	Imitations of formulas of postal franchise used in the country;
4	Medication and food products, harmful to public health
5	Food products that are harmful to public health that cannot be used for other purposes
6	Distilled alcohol drinks that contain essence or chemical products recognized as harmful such as: Aldeido Benzoico, Badia, Eteres silicitos, Hissopo e Tuinana
7	Hallucinatory and psychiatric substances except when imported for hospital use
8	Other merchandise whose prohibition of importation is established by special legislation
9	Certain gases as specified below <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chlorofluorocarbons (CFC's), - Halogens (Halon 1211, Halon 1301 and Halon 2402) - Carbon Tetrachloride of Carbon (CCL4) - Other substances banned as per the Montreal Protocol as regards substances that destroy the ozone layer as ratified by Resolution No. 8/93 of the 8th December
10	Left-hand drive vehicles used for commercial purposes. 'Commercial purposes' has been defined as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - sale, or resale to third parties - use in transport which generates income - use in support of income-generating activities



Inspection Fees

The Government of Mozambique pays the inspection fees with the exception of Used Vehicles, for which an exporter contribution of US\$265 plus VAT (or equivalent) is payable to their local Intertek office at the time of making the request for inspection. If Intertek should need to re-inspect goods following corrective action or perform a second inspection for the sole purpose of container sealing, an additional charge will be made to the Exporter.

Final Notes for Exporters

- 1 If the information in these Guidelines does not provide an answer to questions that arise in relation to a specific order, please contact your nearest Intertek Office where trained Intertek personnel will be happy to assist.
- 2 Intertek is a founder member of the International Federation of Inspection Agencies (IFIA) and the Intertek Government Services programme for Mozambique is carried out in conformity with the (IFIA) code of practice.
- 3 Intertek also carries out its work in accordance with the WTO agreement on Pre-shipment Inspection
- 4 Despite every effort being made by Intertek to facilitate the progress of all orders which require an inspection, an Exporter may occasionally experience a problem. Intertek has an Internal Appeals Procedure as required by Article 2.21 of the Agreement on Pre-shipment Inspection of the Uruguay round of WTO/ GATT.
- 5 Exporters / Importers wishing to communicate with Intertek by electronic mail should take note of the following important message: Email is subject to the possibility of delays and of transmission failure. Systems designed to inform senders of transmission failure are themselves subject to the possibility of delay and may fail altogether. It follows that you should not assume that email transmission have been received in good order unless you are advised by Intertek that this is the case.
- 6 All work performed in accordance with Intertek's Terms and Conditions, a copy which is available from your nearest office or at our website given below.

Other Contracts handled by Intertek

Intertek operates inspection programmes for numerous countries. These include:

- Algeria Certificate of Conformity Programme
- Bangladesh Pre-shipment Inspection Programme
- Bangladesh Quality/Quantity Commercial Programme
- Ghana Valuation Programme
- Kenya Pre-Export Verification of Conformity to Standards Programme (PVoC)
- Kuwait Product Conformity Programme (PCP)
- Mexico Certificate of Origin Programme, Price Valuation Programme
- Nigeria Conformity Assessment Programme (SONCAP)
- Philippines Bulk and Break Bulk Cargo Clearance Enhancement Programme
- Saudi Arabia Product Conformity Programme (PCP)
- Uganda Pre-Export Verification of Conformity to Standards Programme
- Uzbekistan Pre-shipment Inspection and Conformity Certification Services



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