

PRE-SHIPMENT VERIFICATION OF CONFORMITY (PVoC)

# EXPORTER AND IMPORTER GUIDELINES TANZANIA

## OVERVIEW

Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) has implemented guidelines called the Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity (PVoC) to Standards Programme.

It is a Conformity Assessment and Verification procedure applied to specific goods/products in the exporting country, to ensure their compliance with applicable Tanzanian Technical Regulations and Mandatory Standards or Approved Equivalent Standards.

Consignments subject to PVoC must obtain a Certificate of Conformity (CoC) for Customs clearance in Tanzania.

The three routes under PVoC are given below:

- Route A for Unregistered/ Unlicensed Products
- Route B for Registered Products
- Route C for Licensed Products

## 4 STEPS TO EXPORTING YOUR PRODUCT



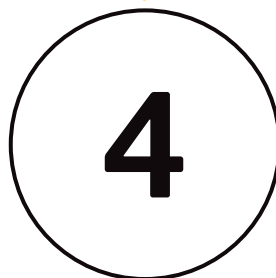
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# 1 PRODUCT COMPLIANCE



## PRODUCT COMPLIANCE



### Products requiring a Certificate of Conformity

Every consignment of regulated products exported to Tanzania requires a Certificate of Conformity for clearance at Tanzanian Customs.

The regulated products shall comply with the Tanzanian Essential Requirements, Technical Regulations and approved Standards prior to their export to Tanzania.

### Products exempt from a Certificate of Conformity

Exporters are advised to verify in the TBS website for an updated and complete list of Excluded, Prohibited, and Restricted Products. The List also available on [intertek.com](http://intertek.com) these products include but not limited to:

- Personal goods / belongings
- Raw materials
- Goods for mining and exploration activities

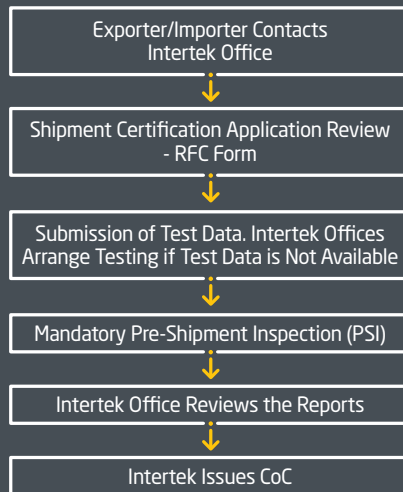
However, the above listed exempted products may be subjected to Destination Inspection by TBS on its arrival at Tanzanian Ports and Customs.

## ROUTES TO EXPORT

### Route A Unregistered/Unlicensed Products (For Occasional Exporters)

Intertek offers services in the evaluation of products according to the requirements mandated by TBS. The evaluation process includes the following:

- Physical inspection of goods which includes verification of the product's essential markings and physical requirements as per approved Tanzanian Standards and technical regulations
- Testing according to the applicable product safety standard or technical regulation by an accredited laboratory such as Intertek prior to their export to Tanzania
- Issuance of CoC on successful evaluation of Test Report and physical inspection report



# 2 ROUTES TO EXPORT



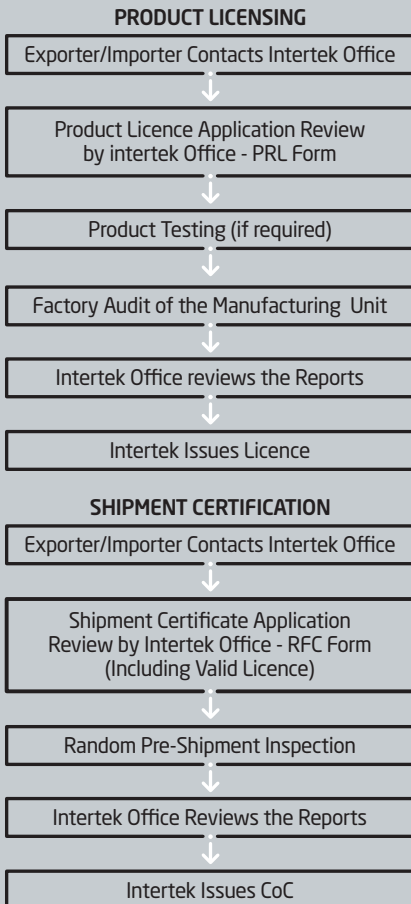
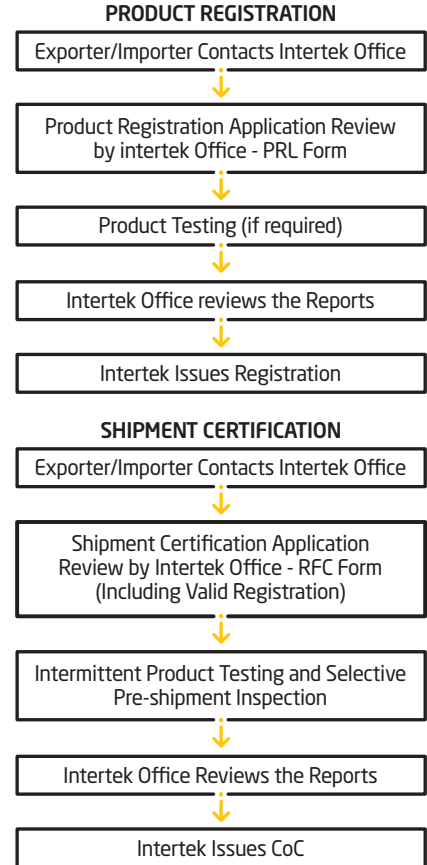
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## Route B Registered Products (For Frequent Exporters)

Registration is issued to an Applicant under Route B and can be used for multiple shipments for a period one year from its date of issue:

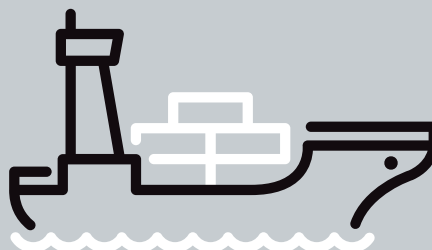
- Manufacturer / Exporter must demonstrate that their products comply with the Tanzanian Essential Requirements, Technical Regulations and approved Standards
- An assessment to be made that products meet the level of compliance required before Registration is granted
- CoC will be issued on the basis of the valid Statement of Registration (SoR) and successful selective inspections of shipments



## Route C Licensed Products (For High volume Exporters)

Licence is issued to Manufacturers under Route C and can be used for multiple shipments for a period of one year from its date of issue:

- Products must demonstrate full compliance with the Tanzanian Essential Requirements, Technical Regulations and approved Standards
- Factory audit of all licensed product manufacturing sites to ensure compliance to standard(s)
- CoC will be issued on the basis of the valid Licence and successful random physical inspections



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## FEES FOR PVoC

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The party applying for conformity assessment and certification services is responsible for the payment of fees to Intertek.



**1. Registration and Licensing** - Fees for Registration and Licensing are payable by the party submitting the application.

**2. Shipment Certification** - Fees for Pre-Shipment inspection are as stipulated and published by TBS. The fee guidelines is as tabulated below.


### Conformity Assessment Fees (Verification Fees)

| Type of certificate        | Route | Ad valorem fee as a percentage of the declared FOB value | Minimum Fee (USD) | Maximum Fee (USD) |
|----------------------------|-------|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Shipment Certificate (CoC) | A     | 0.50%  | \$ 250.00         | \$ 5,000.00       |
|                            | B     | 0.45%  | \$ 250.00         | \$ 5,000.00       |
|                            | C     | 0.25%  | \$ 250.00         | \$ 5,000.00       |

#### Notes

- The above mentioned fees cover the documentary verification, inspection of goods
- The above fees exclude laboratory testing, registration and licensing of products

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#### Key:

- CoC Certificate of Conformity
- CSC Customer Service Centre
- FOB Free on Board
- PSI Pre Shipment Inspection
- RFC Request For Certification
- RLC Registration and Licensing Centre
- SoR Statement of Registration
- PVoC Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity

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