



Verification of Conformity

*Boost your exports
Demonstrate compliance of your products*



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Pre-Shipment Verification
of Conformity to Standards
(PVoC)



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SCOPE



PVOC PROGRAM

Starting January 18th 2012, **Bureau Veritas** has been appointed by **Kenya Bureau of Standards** to undertake the **Pre-Export Verification of Conformity (PVoC)** to Standard Services. This program which has been renewed since June 23rd, 2022 applies to all exported goods.

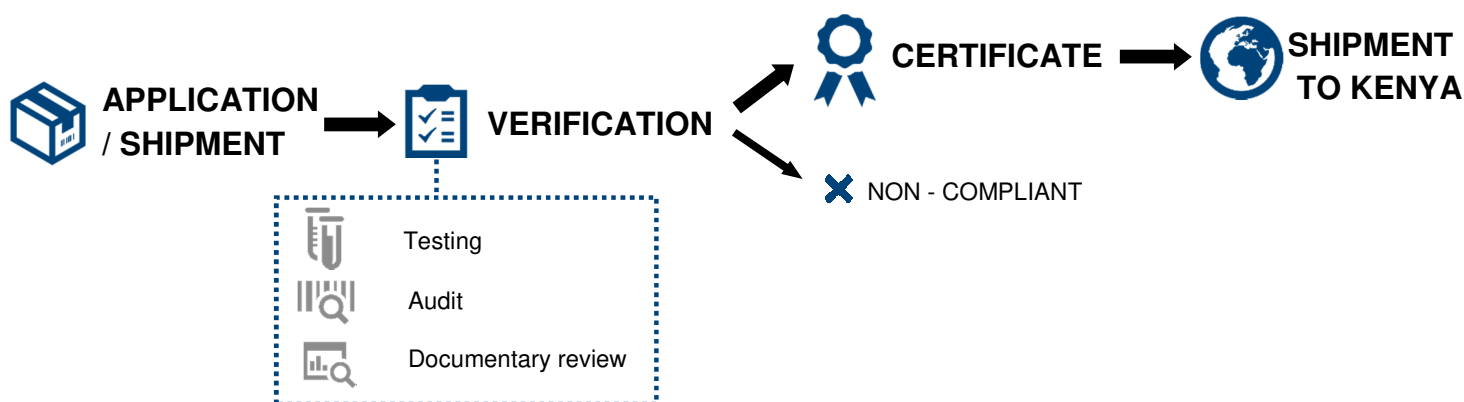
OBJECTIVES

- **Consumer and environment Protection**
- **Conformity assurance**
- **Faster goods release at the Kenyan entry points with the appropriate Certificate of Conformity (CoC)**

TYPE OF PRODUCTS COVERED

- **All products unless exempted (Refer to the Datasheet and PVOC MANUAL for further details)**

BASIC PROCESS OVERVIEW



PROCESS



Step 1 : Request for Certificate

Importer / Exporter lodges a request for Certificate of Conformity (available on <https://verigates.bureauveritas.com>) or fills up the Request For Certificate (RFC) Form and sends it to a Bureau Veritas local contact (please see Contacts sheet). Said request should include:

- List, designation of goods intended to be exported, importer / exporter details (name, address, invoice, ...)
- Conformity documents available (ex: Third party certificate, Test reports, Reports of analysis according to quality and safety standards)
- Information related to local and provisional date of availability of goods to carry out their physical inspection before shipment.

Step 2 : Routes to compliance

To facilitate trade and adjust intervention to the risk, 3 different routes are available in our PVoC Program to demonstrate compliance:

- Route **A** : for any good and any trader
- Route **B** : for goods already registered by Bureau Veritas
- Route **C** : for goods already licensed by Bureau Veritas

Step 3 : Documentary review / Testing

Bureau Veritas reviews all information provided and checks their adequacy against the Kenyan and other approved standards. Laboratory testing / analysis are conducted on samples if necessary.

Step 4 : Inspection

Bureau Veritas checks that:

- Products comply with applicable standards
- Goods presented are those identified during the documentary review
- Goods match their description in the import / export documents
- If necessary, Bureau Veritas inspectors may take samples for additional assessment.
- Upon request and wherever feasible, Bureau Veritas witnesses containers loading and seals the containers

Step 5 : PVoC

Bureau Veritas checks the inspection report against the provided documents. Upon satisfactory results, a secured Certificate of Conformity is issued, or else, a Non-Conformity Report is produced. Exporters are recommended not to ship their goods prior issuance of the required Certificate.



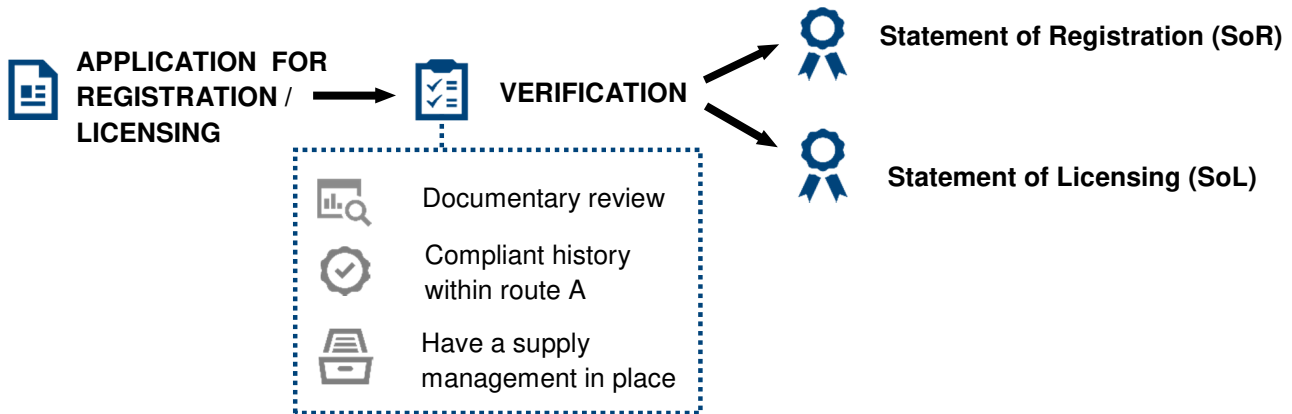
FACILITATION



Registration (Route B) and Licensing (Route C) are options offered for regular importer/exporter to Kenya. The documents and system in place to ensure conformity to Kenyan requirements are preliminary reviewed (test report, certificate, results of testing, inspection, factory audit...).

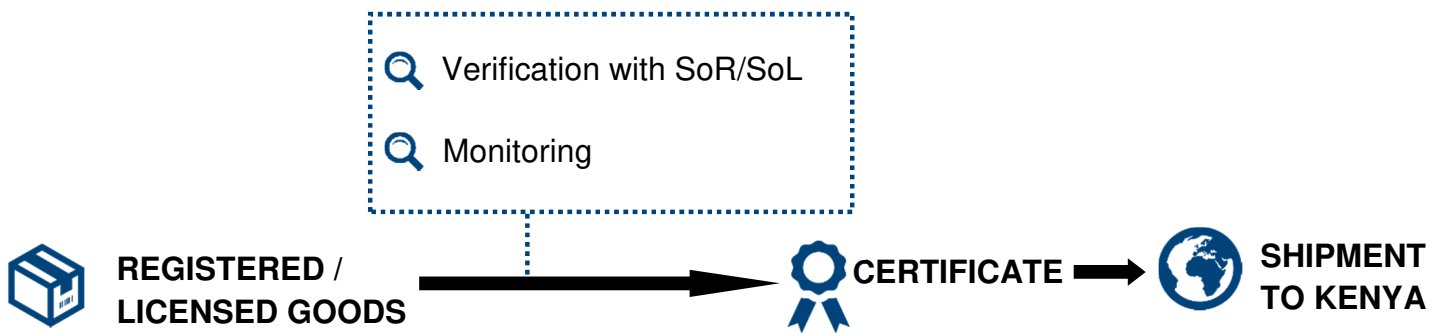
Registration and Licensing

Registration and Licensing application



Shipment verification

SoR/SoL reduces the documentary review and inspection of shipment and speed up the issuance of certificate in performing the necessary monitoring.



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Find list of contacts and detailed information about the programme on <http://verigates.bureauveritas.com>

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