# Verification of Conformity

Boost your exports Demonstrate compliance of your products





## **REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA**

Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity to Standards (PVoC)



Shaping a World of Trust

## SCOPE



## **PVoC PROGRAMME**

From February 1st, 2012, goods exported to Tanzania shall undergo a Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity (PVoC) to Standards of export prior shipment. This program which has been renewed since August 1st, 2022 applies to specific goods for specific regions (Refer to the Datasheet).

Bureau Veritas has been appointed by the Tanzanian Bureau of Standards (TBS) for the Verification of Conformity Programme.

### **OBJECTIVE**

- Protection of the consumer and the environment
- Conformity Assurance
- Swift customs clearance with the appropriate Certificate of Conformity (CoC)

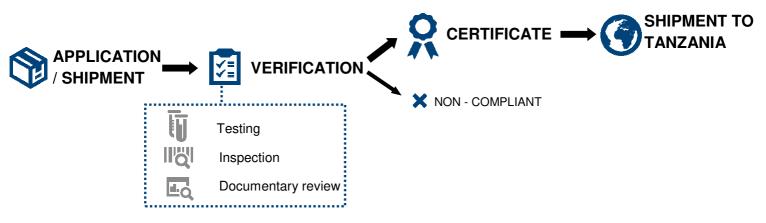
## **GROUP OF PRODUCTS COVERED**

- I. Toys and Sports .
- II. Electrical and Electronics
- III. Automotive

IV. Chemical Products

- VI. Paper and Stationary
- VII. Furniture (Wood and Metal articles)
- VIII. Safety (Personal Protective Equipment)
- IX. Food and Food Products
- V. Mechanical Materials and Gas Appliances X. Used products

## **BASIC PROCESS OVERVIEW**





## PROCESS



### **Step 1 : Request for Certificate**

Importer / Exporter lodges an on-line Request For Certificate (available on <u>https://verigates.bureauveritas.com</u>) or fills up the Request For Certificate (RFC) form and sends it to a Bureau Veritas local contact (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 QHSE Quality, Health, Safety and Environment 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 Programme to demonstrate compliance:

- Route A: Any good, any trader
- Route **B** (Registration): Goods already registered by Bureau Veritas
- Route **C** (Licensing): Goods already licensed by Bureau Veritas

#### Step 3 : Documentary review / Testing

Bureau Veritas reviews all information provided and checks their adequacy against the Tanzanian 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.

#### Step 5 : PVoC Certificate

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

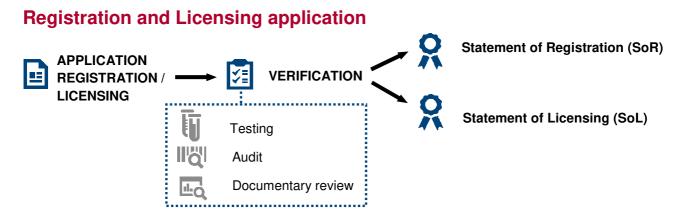


# **FACILITATION PROCEDURE**



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

## **Registration and Licensing**



#### **Shipment verification**

SoR/SoL reduces the documentary review and/or 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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