

# MAURITANIAN CONSIGNMENT BASED CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT - PVCM MAURITANIA



## 1. Regulation

Authority:	<i>Ministère du Commerce, de l'Industrie, de l'Artisanat et du Tourisme (Ministry of Trade, Industry, Handicrafts and Tourism)</i>
Notification:	<i>Notice to importers published on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023</i>
Starting date:	<i>Launched on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Mandatory implementation from March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (Date of Bill of Lading)</i>
Appointed company(ies):	<i>Bureau Veritas</i>
Scope of the regulation:	<i>Conformity assessment of goods exported to Mauritania</i>
Assessment based on:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Documentary review</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Control testing</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Physical inspection</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Facilitation procedures</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Conclusion of the assessment</i></li> </ul>
Remark:	<i>Entry into force of the provisions of Order n°0131/MCIAT</i>

## 2. Products subject

Subjected goods:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Food products</b> : HS chapters 02, 03, 04, 05, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23</li> <li>• <b>Products in contact with food</b>: HS chapters 39 and 48</li> <li>• <b>Building products and chemical products</b>: HS chapters 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 38, 40, 44, 45, 46, 47, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, and 83</li> <li>• <b>Textiles products &amp; Footwear</b>: HS chapters 41, 42, 43, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 66, 67,</li> <li>• <b>Machinery &amp; tools, Electrical and electronic products, Vehicles &amp; auto spare parts, Furniture</b> HS chapters 84, 85, 87, 91, 92, 94</li> <li>• <b>Medical devices, Cosmetics, Pharmaceutical products</b>: HS chapters 30, 33, 34, 44, 65, 90</li> <li>• <b>Toys</b>: HS chapter 95.</li> </ul>
Second-hand goods:	<i>Subject</i>
Prohibited goods:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Animals and goods from contaminated countries, under the conditions provided for by the legislation on sanitary, veterinary and phytosanitary police.</li> <li>• Narcotics and controlled substances.</li> <li>• Weapons, parts of arms and ammunition of war with the exception of weapons, parts of arms and ammunition intended for the army or national security forces.</li> <li>• Writings, printed matter drawings, posters, engravings, paintings, photographs, stereotypes, matrices, pornographic reproductions and all objects contrary to morality or good manners or likely to disturb public order;</li> <li>• Natural or manufactured products of foreign origin bearing a trademark, a name, a sign, a label, or a decorative motif consisting of a reproduction, decorations, coats of arms, and emblems national, or of such a nature that leads people to believe that they were manufactured in Mauritania or that they were of Mauritanian origin.</li> <li>• Plastic bags.</li> </ul>

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Exempted goods:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arms (weapons) and ammunitions</li> <li>• Parcels without commercial value and express mail</li> <li>• Commercial samples</li> <li>• Personal belongings</li> <li>• Goods for the diplomatic community</li> <li>• Fresh fruits, vegetables, fish, meat and sea food (Frozen, canned and dried ones are still subject)</li> <li>• Shipments below 1500 Euros.</li> </ul>
Minimum value subject to the programme:	1500 € (FOB value)

### 3. Technical requirement

Conformity requirements:	<p>Compliance of goods to applicable standards shall be demonstrated with conformity documents issued by accredited entities, manufacturers' in-house laboratory and/or testing.</p> <p>Applicable standards are: Mauritanian standards and technical regulations, and by default to international standards (ISO, IEC, Codex Alimentarius, UN ECE), or the manufacturer's specifications in the absence of applicable standards.</p>
National deviations:	<p>Law No. 2020-007 on consumer protection, fixing requirements on the labelling and presentation of foodstuffs.</p> <p>For foodstuffs, the following marking shall be mentioned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Production date</li> <li>• Presence of allergens</li> <li>• For meat products: animal species.</li> </ul> <p>Foodstuffs containing genetically modified organisms require special authorization from Ministry of trade, health and environment in order to be placed on the market, and must indicate on their labelling the presence of genetically modified organisms.</p> <p>The remaining shelf life for foodstuffs shall be <b>at least 50%</b> of the total shelf life at the time of importation.</p>
Labelling requirements:	<p>Language:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Markings and instructions required per the applicable standards for foodstuffs shall be at least in Arabic or in French</li> </ul>
Other specific requirements:	N/A

### 4. Application

Applicant:	Exporter
Application name:	Request for certificate (RFC)
Required documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final invoice (proforma invoice is acceptable for application)</li> <li>• Conformity documents (test reports, quality certificates, analysis reports, etc.) provided by exporters, as per technical requirements</li> <li>• Quality certificate regarding the management system of the manufacturer(s) of the goods</li> </ul>
Required information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HS codes</li> <li>• FOB value</li> </ul>
Application office(s):	<p>Bureau Veritas offices (see contacts list on Verigates):</p> <p><a href="https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/programmes/mauritania">https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/programmes/mauritania</a></p>

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### 5. Control testing requirements

Applicable cases:	Conformity document not available or not acceptable
Laboratory criteria:	ISO 17025 accredited laboratory, In-house laboratory of certified Manufacturer (after specific assessment)
Testing:	According to applicable international standards

### 6. Physical inspection requirements

Scope of inspection:	Review of markings as per applicable standard(s) and identification of products
Destination inspection:	Not allowed
Witness of loading:	When required
Seal of container:	When required
Sampling:	In case of control testing (see section 5 as above)
Type of report issued:	Inspection report (IR)

### 7. Facilitation procedures (\*)

- Route B – Exporter Registration
- Route C – Manufacturing Licensing
- Route D – for Wheat and Sugar in large quantities (>5 tons)\*

### 8. Conclusion of the Assessment

- Certificate of Conformity (CoC – Certificat de Conformité CdC)
- Non Conformity Report (NCR – Rapport de Non-Conformité RNC)

### 9. Fees

Paid by Exporter

**Fees structure:**

Routes	Ad valorem fee as a % of the FOB value of the consignment	Minimum fee in Euros
A	0.78	380 €
B	0.60	300 €
C	0.50	285 €
D	0.19	285 €

The above fees, which are net of any taxes, cover the documentary verification, the physical inspection (if applicable) and conclusion (CoC or NCR), **but do not include:**

- Testing: to be quoted on a case by case basis
- Re-inspection due to vain inspection
- Sampling of bulk shipments
- Cost incurred by the Seller in presenting the goods for inspection and/or testing
- Witness of loading and sealing of the containers
- Audits
- Industrial inspections
- Other fees not mentioned above

## 10. Contact

See contacts sheet for details on Verigates:

<https://verigates.bureauveritas.com/programmes/mauritania>

## 11. Other relevant information

N/A

(\*) *Latest updates*

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