



**NOTIFICATION OF PRESHIPMENT ACTIVITIES IN ACCORDANCE
WITH COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 3287/94**

GUIDELINES OF IMPORTS FOR THE TRADE		
	CAMEROON PRE-SHIPMENT INSPECTION	
<i>This data sheet has been prepared specifically in respect of exports to Cameroon and supplements our publication "Pre-Shipment Inspection Programme: Guidelines for Exporters"</i>		
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1. PRESHIPMENT INSPECTION (PSI) MANDATE	
PSI MANDATED BY :	Ministry of Economy and Finance
THE COUNTRY IS A MEMBER OF THE WTO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
APPLICABLE REGULATION(S)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regulation No. 88/007 of 15/07/88 - Presidential Order No. 95/004 of 07/12/95 - Decree No. 88/1285 of 23/09/88 - Contract of 30/09/88 - Joint Order No. 00145 of 22/11/88 - Decree No. 92/267 of 22/07/92 - Addenda of 28/05/93, 30/06/94 and 08/12/95 - Decree No. 95/250 of 07/12/95 - Order No. 00268 of 15/12/95
APPOINTED PSI COMPANY(IES)	SGS
SELECTION OF PSI COMPANIES	Not Applicable
SCOPE OF PSI	<input type="checkbox"/> Quality and Quantity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quality & quantity (For Customs purposes only) <input type="checkbox"/> Export Market Price (For Foreign Exchange purposes) <input type="checkbox"/> Export Market Price (For Govt.Information purposes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Value for Customs purposes (Based on Article VII of the WTO Agreement on Customs Valuation - ACV). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Customs classification (HS 1996 version) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Import eligibility <input type="checkbox"/> Risk Assessment <input type="checkbox"/> Other
MINIMUM ORDER VALUE SUBJECT TO PSI	XAF 2,000,000.-- FOB
PART SHIPMENT	Subject to PSI if total order value equals or exceeds XAF 2,000,000.-- FOB
EXEMPTIONS FROM PSI	See Section 7

2. INTERVENTION ORDER "I.O." (The instruction for SGS to intervene)

I.O NAME	D.I. ("Déclaration d'Importation")
ISSUED BY	SGS
VALIDITY :	9 months (may be extended by 3 months when applied for before D.I. expiry date)
AMOUNT BY WHICH I.O. VALUE MAY BE EXCEEDED	10%
CHANGES FROM SEA TO AIR	Permissible subject to importer's agreement
DESTINATION INSPECTION	N/A

3. INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS / RESTRICTION

SEALING OF FCL CONTAINERS REQUIRED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Provided empty containers are presented and stuffed during physical inspection. FCL contains goods from one single supplier to one single importer.
SECOND HAND GOODS LICENCE/APPROVAL REQUIRED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO Except for second-hand vehicles which must be covered by a certificate of road worthiness
PROHIBITED IMPORTS	As per regulation no.0040 of 13/07/94 (See section 8)
RESTRICTED IMPORTS	As per regulation no.0040 of 13/07/94 (See section 9)
LABELLING REQUIREMENTS	Expiry date of pharmaceuticals , shelf life of foodstuffs, Packages, limps or boxes of the products containing tobacco and marketed in Cameroun must stated the following mentions in English and French: "MESSAGE DU MINISTERE DE LA SANTE PUBLIQUE : CONSOMMER DU TABAC PEUT NUIRE A VOTRE SANTE " "WARNING FROM THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH : TOBACCO MAY BE DANGEROUS TO YOUR HEALTH"
OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS	N/A

4. PRICE COMPARISON / SELLER'S INVOICE REQUIREMENTS

BUYING / CONFIRMING COMMISSION	As per normal trade practice
INSURANCE	Insurance coverage outside Cameroon permitted
FINANCIAL INTEREST	At normal commercial rates
FINAL INVOICE TO SHOW	FOB, freight, total value

5. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO ISSUE REPORT	Final Invoice , Packing list and Bill of Lading
TYPE OF REPORT ISSUED	- To importers : Clean Report of Findings (CRF) - To sellers : Security label or Discrepancy Report
REPORT PURPOSE	- CRF for customs clearance - Security label for financial settlement

6. INSPECTION FEES

Paid by importer in country of importation.

Nevertheless, SGS may invoice the seller in the event of abortive inspection visits.

The costs incurred by the seller in presenting the goods for inspection, such as unpacking, repacking etc, are for the account of the seller.

7. LISTING OF GOODS EXEMPTED FROM PSI

- a) Imports with a total order FOB value below XAF 2,000,000.--
- b) Objects of art, precious stones and metals, gold.
- c) Used personal and household effects.
- d) Used tourism motor vehicles. (more than 6 months old)
- e) Explosives and pyrotechnic products.
- f) Current newspapers and periodicals.
- g) Non commercial parcel post and commercial samples.
- a) Gifts and imports for Diplomatic entities and for United Nations organizations for their own use in Cameroon.
- b) Live animals
- c) Imports authorized under Free Zone Regime.
- d) Imports made by the Army and the security services.
- e) Crude oil (code 2709.00.10 of Cameroon Customs Tariff Book) and equipment used for oil drilling and working.
- h) Donations from foreign governments or international organizations to foundations, welfare and philanthropic organizations recognized of public interest.

8. PROHIBITED IMPORTS

- a) "Ibéro" oil and "Turkey brand" vegetal oil.
- b) "Mc Ray" scotch whisky.
- c) Skin treatment creams : "Mipipo" skin treatment cream, "IKB" medicated cream, "Crusader" skin toning cream, "Elegance" skin toning cream, "Symbi" cream, "Renue" super bleaching cream, "Amba" cream, "Nice" super cream, "Desire" complexion cream, "Tura" medicated cream, "Mipipo" hydroquinone lotion.
- d) Soaps : "Jabiru" antiseptic germicidal soap, "HG 12" germicidal soap, "Mipipo" germicidal soap, "Roberts" medicated soaps, "Tura Savon" germicide, "Sukissa Bango" antiseptic soap, "Skimgard" antiseptic soap, "Bexo" antiseptic soap, "Bicu" soap.
- e) Pesticides for agricultural use containing at least one of the following products :
 - captafol, dinosebe acetate (aretit), dinosebe, binapacryl (morocide), cyhexatin, dieldrin, aldrin, heptachlore, 2-4-5 TCP Trade names of these pesticides are listed thereafter :
 - made from captafol : difolatan, folcid, merpafol, crisfolatan, foltaf, haipen, mycodifol, ortodifolatan 80, captalatan 80
 - weedkillers made from aretit : HOE 002904, evosit, phenotan.
 - made from dinosebe : subitex, vertac, Dinitro Weed Killer, basanite, chemox general, chemox, chemsect, dynamite, elgetol, hel-fire, kiloseb, nitropon, sinox general, unicrop, caldon, dinitro, DN289, gebutox, premerge, subitex, vertac.
 - made from binapacryl : acricid, ambox, dapacryl, dinosebe, endosan, morocide, HOE 2784, NIA 9044.
 - made from Dieldrin : alvit, dieldrex, dieldrite, octalox, panoram D-31.
 - made from Aldrine : alvit, dieldrex, dieldrite, octalox, panoram D-31, aldrex 30, aldrite, aldosol, drinox, octalene, seedrin liquid.
 - made from heptachlore : drinox, H-34, heptamul.
- f) Toxic waste and other industrial waste.
- g) "Cock brand" insecticide. Double Cock brand, Cock brand superior containing DDT, as per Ministerial Decision N° 008/MINDIC/CAB dd 2/3/2000
- h) Non iodized salt.
- i) Counterfeit goods.
- j) wheat flour from Nigeria (importation suspended)
- k) bovine meat of European origin (importation suspended)
- l) the products or equipments , whenever using the substances impoverishing the ozone layer
- m) pharmaceutical product INTETRIX P GRANULES (importation suspended)
- n) pharmaceutical products including phenolphthalein (Mucinum, Purganol)

9. RESTRICTED IMPORTS

- a) Edible meat.
- b) Sea or bred fish, crustaceans and molluscs.
- c) Alimentary preparations for other animals (see code **2309.90.00** of Cameroon Customs Tariff Book).
- d) Medicines (codes **30.03.10.00 to 30.04.90.00** of Cameroon Customs Tariff Book).
- e) Medicated soaps.
- f) Prepared explosives, other than propellant powders; pyrotechnic articles, beacon rockets.
- g) Transmitter-receivers and other receivers.
- h) Weapons and war ammunition.
- i) Precious substances (gold, platinum, sapphire, etc)
- j) Radioactive substances (uranium, thorium, detorium, etc) and equipment containing radioactive elements.
- k) Order No. 0064 of 12/05/95 and the list of control substances under the Montreal Protocol
- l) Second-hand vehicles not subjected to PSI. They are under the CIVIO Program.
- m) Salt: maximum iodine 100ppm or 100 mg/kg
- n) Wheat Flour: must conform to norms specified in Decree 27/MINDIC/DPPC dated March 1st, 1994.
- o) Pharmaceuticals products (licensed)
- p) medicine for veterinary purposes (licensed)

Labeling requirements

- Expiry date of pharmaceuticals; Direction for use and other indications must appear both in English and French on each packing.
- Shelf-life of foodstuffs,
- Tobacco products (for retail) must show : "Message du Ministère de la Santé Publique: consommer du tabac peut nuire à votre santé" or "warning for Ministry of Public Health : tobacco may be dangerous to your health" or similar messages accepted by the Ministry of Public Health.

10. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Cameroon Standards to which the approved products must comply with

- Norm of Sackcloth jute bags
- Norm of Wheat Flour used in Bread making
- Labeling Norm of Pre-Packed Foodstuffs
- Norm of Mobile Steel Cylinder used in stocking , transporting and distributing oil gas liquefied
- Norm of Alloy Aluminum Sheets
- Norm of Coated Steel Sheets
- Standard for Flavored Yoghurt (Yoghurt) and Products Heat-Treated After Fermentation
- Standard for Evaporated Milks
- Standard for Powdered Milks and Powdered Creams
- Standard for Sweetened Condensed Milks
- Standard for Yoghurt (Yoghurt) and Sweetened Yoghurt (Sweetened Yoghurt)
- Standard for Pasta of Semolina from Durum Wheat
- Standards for Cement

11. INSPECTION ZONES AND RESPONSIBLE COMPANIES

N.A.

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