

TRADEABLE WAIVER CERTIFICATE

Providing Verification Solutions to Mitigate Supply Chain Risks

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International trade has exploded and with it globalisation. Businesses expanding into international trade must understand the legal requirements to be able to export to those countries.

Intertek's Tradeable Services helps you mitigate the risk by offering a comprehensive portfolio of pre-shipment solutions to support businesses involved in international trade in validating shipments and offering critical on the ground support to mitigate risks in your supply chain.

Our global network means we can deliver trade solutions and deep technical expertise in over 40 countries globally, enabling you to trade with confidence.

What is a Waiver Certificate

Waiver Certificate or loading certificate also known as ECTN, CTN, BSC, BESC, BIETC, FERI or CNCA are required for Customs clearance in 23 African countries

This certificate is mandatory in addition to other Customs clearance requirements such as Certificates of Conformity and failure to obtain these can mean your shipment being rejected at the country of import.

The waiver includes all the information of the involved parties, the values/ description and the volume of the goods, shipping information and other relevant information and both exporter and importer are responsible for making sure that the certificate is issued.

The certificate enables Customs Authorities control and manage Import traffic.

Regardless of the type of shipment you must obtain a waiver certificate.

Which Countries require a Waiver Certificate?

Listed below are the African countries which require a Waiver Certificate for Customs clearance

Angola – CNCA
Benin – BESC
Burkina Faso – ECTN
Burundi – ECTN
Cameroon – BESC
Central African Republic – ECTN
Chad – ECTN
Congo – ECTN
Democratic Republic Congo – FERI
Equatorial Guinea – ECTN
Gabon – BIETC
Guinea – ECTN
Guinea Bissau – CEE
Ivory Coast – BSC
Liberia – CTN
Libya – ECTN
Madagascar – BSC
Mali – BESC
Niger – ECTN
Senegal – ECTN
Sierra Leone – CTN
South Sudan – ECTN
Togo – ECTN

The Governments of Cameroon, Gabon and Ivory Coast also require a Certificate of Conformity (CoC) for imports of regulated products. Intertek is approved by those Governments to issue the CoC

How do we apply for a Waiver Certificate?

You will need to supply specified documentation which ranges from the Bill of Lading, Commercial or Freight invoice. Each country has a different requirement so Intertek's experts will talk you through what is required. We will then facilitate the waiver certification service giving you peace of mind that your shipment will benefit from a smoother Customs clearance so faster access to market.

Benefits of Tradeable Waiver Certificate Facilitation

Tradeable solutions, delivered by our industry leading experts can support your business in achieving the following objectives:

- Allows you to trade with confidence and get to market quickly
- Minimises the financial and time losses associated with delays in Customs clearance
- Reduces the scope for disputes with your suppliers
- Gives you access to leading experts in international trade compliance

Why Tradeable?

Tradeable can deliver for your business:

- Comprehensive 'one-stop shop' of pre-shipment solutions: across the entire supply chain,
- Peace-of-mind with our total quality assured promise: Intertek is a trusted partner who can deliver independent assessments to the highest standards with a focus on quality and compliance
- Access to solutions to meet your broader assurance, testing, inspection and certification needs: Intertek has a diverse suite of solutions to help trade participants with all their quality assurance requirements – from comprehensive product testing and technical auditing solutions to tools to support supply chain visibility and achieving your sustainability goals
- Extensive geographic footprint to support you wherever needed: Intertek's global network of customer centric subject matter experts can provide on the ground support and be your 'eyes and ears' in over 40 countries around the world

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