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EXPORTER GUIDE TO EGYPT

GOEIC CERTIFICATION PROCESS

1   GOEIC VERIFICATION OF CONFORMITY (VOC) PROGRAMME

The General Organization of Export and Imports Control (GOEIC), under the Egyptian Ministry of Industry and Trade, regulates the certification requirements for imported goods as per 770/2005, 961/2012, 991/2015, 43/2016, 44/2019, 403/2022.

This guide covers the requirements of obtaining the mandatory Certificate of Conformity (COC), required for customs clearance.

The Certificate of Conformity is issued by GOIEC Registered Inspection Companies like Cotecna Inspection S.A (Cotecna) and is needed for every consignment of regulated goods.

Attention: For exporters shipping food and food contact products, please refer to the NFSA certification guide.

Please note, some products are subject to certification under both GOEIC and NFSA programmes.

2   GOEIC REGULATED PRODUCTS:

Below is a comprehensive list of GOEIC regulated products requiring Certificates of Conformity for export to Egypt. To confirm if your product is regulated and to help you determine which standard(s) are applicable to your product, please contact your nearest Cotecna office or Cotecna Egypt.

Sr. No	PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	HS CODE
1	Cosmetics, dental products, deodorants, bath products, and perfume ingredients.	3307 ,3306 ,3305 ,3304 ,3303
2	Soap and detergents	-3401.30 -3401.2090 - 3401.19 -3401.11 3402.9090-3402.20
3	Tableware, cutleries and utensils (kitchen-ware)	-73.23 -69.12 -69.11 -4419 - 39.24 82.15-8211.91 - 8211.10- 7615.10 -7418.10
4	Sanitary ware, tubs, sinks, toilets and toilet seats	-7324.10 -69.10 -3922.20 -3922.10 -7508.9020 -7418.20 -7324.29 -7324.21 7615.20
5	Toilet paper, sanitary & cosmetic papers and baby diapers	-9619 (except 4803 -48.18-)4818.1090
6	Household tiles	-6802.9110 -6802.2110 -6802.10 6908 -69.07 -6810.19 -6904.40

7	Table glassware	70.13
8	Reinforced steel bars	72.15 -72.14 -72.13
9	Household electrical appliances (stoves, fryers, air conditioners, fans, washing machines, blenders, and heaters)	-8415.81-8415.10-8414.51 -73.22 -73.21 -8418.21 -8418.10-8415.83-8415.82 -8422.11 -8418.40 -8418.30 -8418.29 -8451.21 -8450.19 -8450.12 -8450.11 -8516.10 -8509.80 -8509.40 -8508.11 -8516.40 -8516.32 -8516.32-8516.21 -8516.72 -8516.71 -8516.60 -8516.50 -8527.19 -8527.13 -8527.12 -8516.79 -8528.71 -8527.99 -8527.92 -8527.91 8528.73 -8528.7290 -8528.7220
10	Office & household furniture	-9401.59 -9401.51 -9401.40 -9401.30 -9401.7190 -9401.69 - 9401.61 94.04 - 94.03 -9401.8090 -9401.79
11	Bicycles and motorcycles	87.12 -87.11
12	Watches	From Chapter 91
13	Household lightning equipment	-9405.30 -9405.20 -9405.10 9405.4090
14	Toys	95.03
15	Garments, Textiles, Furnishings, Rugs, Blankets and Shoes	-52.09 -52.08 -5113 -51.12 -51.11 -50.07 -54.07 -5311-53.09 -52.12 -52.11 -52.10 -55.13 -55.12 -5408 -58.02 -58.01 -55.16 -55.15 -55.14 -5810.1090 -58.09 - 58.05 -58.04 5810.99 -5810.92 -5810.91 Chapter 60 Chapter 61 (except -6113.0010 6116.1010-6115.10-6114.3010) - Chapter 62 (except -6210.1010 -6210.4010 -6210.3010 -6210.2010 -6211.4910 -6211.3910 -6210.5010 6217-6216.0010 -6212.9010 -6212.2010) Chapter 63 (except 63.07)
16	Floor covers	64.05 -64.04 -64.03 -64.02 -64.01
17	Door locks	8301.40
18	Low pressure regulators for household use	90.32.20

19	Hand valve for gas pipes	84.81.40 – 84.81.30
20	Insulated electric cables with rated voltage not exceeding 3 kV	85.44
21	Welding electrodes	83.11
22	Ballasts for lamps and discharge tubes	85.04.10
23	LED lamps, excluding LED lamps for vehicles	85.43 - 85.39.50
24	Electric cells and accumulators/ Batteries	85.07 - 85.06

GOEIC Exempted Products

> Wallets Belts
> Bags in textile
> Wristlets (meaning bracelets)

Important: If wallets and belts are included in the same shipment as regulated products, then they are subject to conformity assessment, testing and reporting on the COC. However, if wallets and belts are shipped separately, no COC needs to be issued for them.

3. GOEIC CERTIFICATE OF CONFORMITY PROCESS

To issue a shipment Certificate of Conformity, Cotecna follows the following process:

1. Documentation verification
The exporter/applicant must provide Cotecna with the following documents for verification:

i) A filled out Cotecna Request for Certification form
ii) Commercial Invoice: Please note, it is a GOEIC requirement to declare the manufacturer's name and address in addition to the importer and exporters' full contact details.
iii) Trademark licenses
iv) Packing List
v) Transport document, for instance, bill of larding (B/L) or airway bill (AWB) to be submitted after inspection
vi) Valid conformity documents* (such as laboratory test reports, Quality Management System certificate- Oeko-Tex certificate, Bluesign certificate, IEC certificate, etc) and any other relevant documentation.
* A conformity document is valid when:
> It has been issued by an ISO 17025 accredited laboratory. The scope of lab accreditation must be relevant to the required tests.
> If traceability between the conformity document and the goods of the consignment can be established.
> It covers the exact same production batch as the goods exported.
> It strictly covers 100% of the products in the consignment.
> It is in compliance with Egyptian standards and requirements.

2. Laboratory testing in the exporting country
If the product test report is not available or is missing essential test criteria, Cotecna will take samples from the shipment and perform the necessary tests in an ISO 17025 accredited laboratory.

3. Physical inspection in exporting country
Cotecna will physically inspect the goods and ensure essential markings comply with Egyptian standards, take samples (see above) and seal the container if required.

4. Certificate of Conformity

Cotecna will issue a Certificate of Conformity (COC) only if the exporter/application meets the Egyptian requirements, following a successful completion of the evaluation, inspection and testing.

5. Fees

Costs of the inspection, analysis and/or certification are borne by the seller and are quoted at the time of nomination. Cost varies depending on the products certified and exporting country. This program is subject to the Cotecna General Terms and Conditions.

Obtaining a Quality Certificate

An important additional GOIEC requirement is the mandatory registration of Trade-mark owners and distributors. This specific process requires applicants to present, among other documents, an ISO 9001 certificate or Quality Certificate. Cotecna can help applicants obtain Quality Certificates, following a successful review and audit of the applicants' quality management system.

To request a Quality Certificate, applicants are requested to submit Quality Management Control procedures and/or manuals including supply chain control procedures. Following a document review, Cotecna will perform a factory audit and issue the Quality Certificate upon satisfactory results.

To download the Request for Certification or access the Cotecna Contact List, please click here. For more information, you can directly contact your nearest Cotecna office.

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