

PROGRAMME D'ÉVALUATION DE LA CONFORMITÉ AVANT EMBARQUEMENT

EXPORTER AND IMPORTER GUIDELINES REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON

OVERVIEW

The Agence des Normes et de la Qualité (ANOR) has implemented a Conformity Assessment Programme officially called Programme d'Évaluation de la Conformité Avant Embarquement (PECAE).

It is a Conformity Assessment and Verification procedure applied to all specific regulated products in the exporting country, to ensure their compliance with applicable mandatory Cameroonian Standards and Technical regulations.

Consignments with products subject to PECAE must obtain a Certificate of Conformity (CoC) from ANOR which is based on the Attestation of Conformity (AoC) issued by Intertek for Customs clearance at Cameroon Ports and Borders.

PECAE provides assurance to Cameroonian consumers of the quality and safety of imported goods.

The Shipment Certification process follow the below routes:

- Route A for Non-registered/Non-licensed Products
- Route B for Registered Products - a Statement of Registration is issued with validity of one year
- Route C for Licensed Products - a Licence Certificate is issued with validity of one year.

4 STEPS TO EXPORTING YOUR PRODUCT



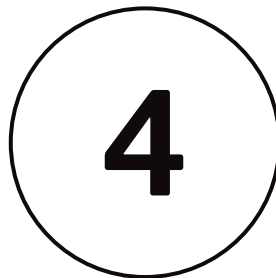
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Products requiring a Attestation of Conformity

The Agence des Normes et de la Qualite (ANOR) has announced that all products/ consignments with Bill of Lading dated 15th of November 2021 onwards (except those products listed in the exempted/restricted list) shall be regulated. Every consignment of regulated products exported to Cameroon requires a Certificate of Conformity for clearance at Cameroonian Customs.

The regulated products shall comply with the Cameroonian Essential Requirements, mandatory Cameroonian Standards or in its absence to other relevant Regional/ International Standards prior to their export to Cameroon.

Products exempt from a Attestation of Conformity

Exporters are advised to verify list of exempted products. These are:

- Arms and ammunitions, Goods and objects stipulated in *Act no. 2/92-UDEAC-556-CD-SE-1* specifically: Goods returned to the customs territory, Shipments under State-to-State international relations, Donations offered to the Head of State and the Government, Effects benefiting from diplomatic privileges and immunities intended for diplomatic or consular missions or missions of other international organizations or the United Nations, Furniture and effects imported in case of a change of residence, Effects and objects in use from an inheritance, Uniform for Students and Wedding Clothing, Shipments devoid of any commercial character, Religious imports, Shipments to national works of solidarity, Products and objects intended for religious ceremonies, Materials and products intended for certain privileged technical uses, Works of art, Scrap metal, Current newspapers and periodicals.

SPECIFIC REGULATED PRODUCT CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CAMEROON

Sensitive products

The following High-Risk Products are identified by ANOR as sensitive products and shall undergo only Route A certification

- Sugar
- Cereals and legumes such as rice, wheat, beans, maize, etc. and their flour
- Animal and sea products (fresh and frozen - not processed)
- Fresh Dairy Products (E.g. Fresh Milk, Yogurt etc.)
- Fresh horticultural products
- Edible oils (E.g. Olive Oil, Vegetable oil etc.)
- Cosmetics

Expiry date and Batch number

The Expiry date and Batch number is a mandatory requirement for products with limited shelf life. The applicant shall provide Batch number and Expiry dates of all products in the shipment which shall be reflected in the AoC on a line item basis.

Shelf life Requirements

All regulated products with limited shelf life shall have more than fifty percent (50 %) shelf life from the date of expected arrival in Cameroon.

PR Number

The PR number replaces the DI number as a mandatory requirement during PECAE Certification Process. The Applicant should provide Intertek with correct PR Number and this reference shall be included in the AoC.



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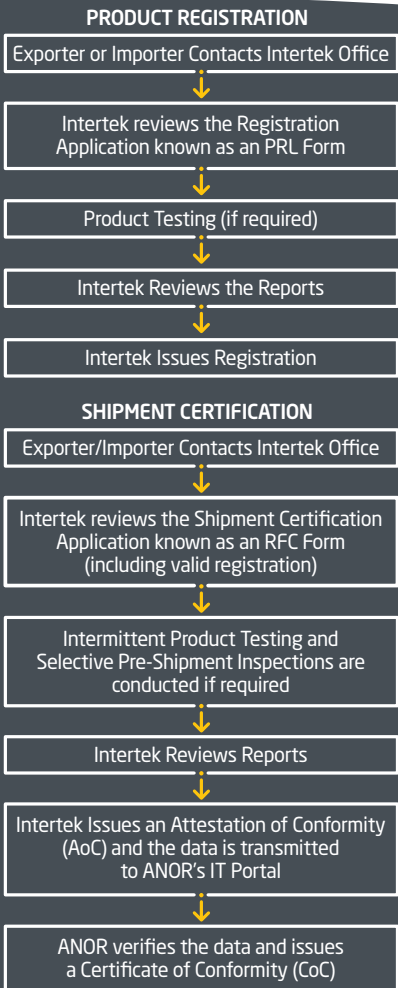
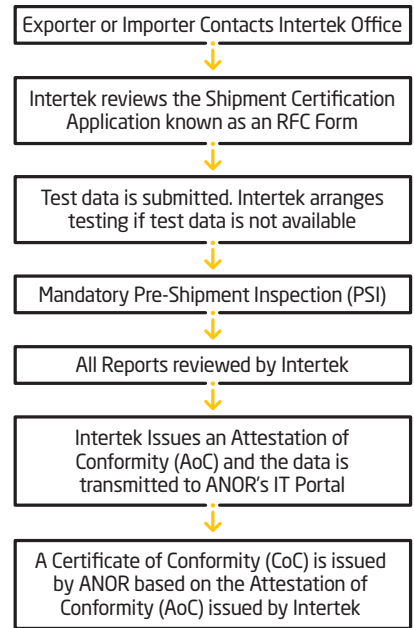


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Non-registered/Non-licensed Status - Route A (For Occasional Exporters)

Intertek offers services in the evaluation of products according to the requirements mandated by ANOR. The evaluation process includes the following:

- Physical inspection of products which includes verification of the Cameroonian Essential Requirements, mandatory Cameroonian Standards or in its absence to other relevant Regional/International Standards.
- Testing according to the mandatory Cameroonian Standards or in its absence to other relevant Regional/International Standards by an accredited laboratory such as Intertek, prior to their export to Cameroon
- Issuance of AoC on successful evaluation of Test Report and physical inspection.
- Transmission of AoC data to ANOR's IT portal based on which CoC is issued to Importer.



Registered Status - Route B (For Frequent Exporters)

Registration is issued to an Applicant under Route B and can be used for multiple shipments for a period one year from its date of issue:

- Registered Products exported to Cameroon for the first time by an applicant under PECAE should have undergone at least 3 successful shipments through Route A.
- Manufacturer/Exporter must demonstrate that their products comply with the Cameroonian Essential Requirements, mandatory Cameroonian Standards or in its absence to other relevant Regional/International Standards
- An assessment to be made that products meet the level of compliance required before Registration is granted
- AoC will be issued on the basis of the valid SoR and successful selective inspections of shipments
- CoC is issued by ANOR based on the AoC issued by Intertek.



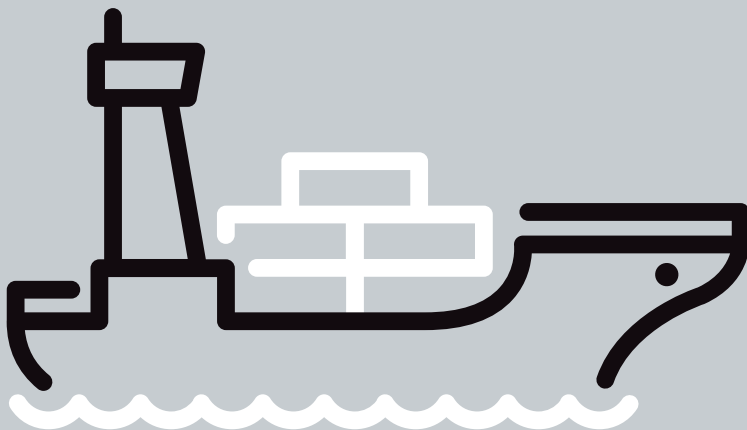
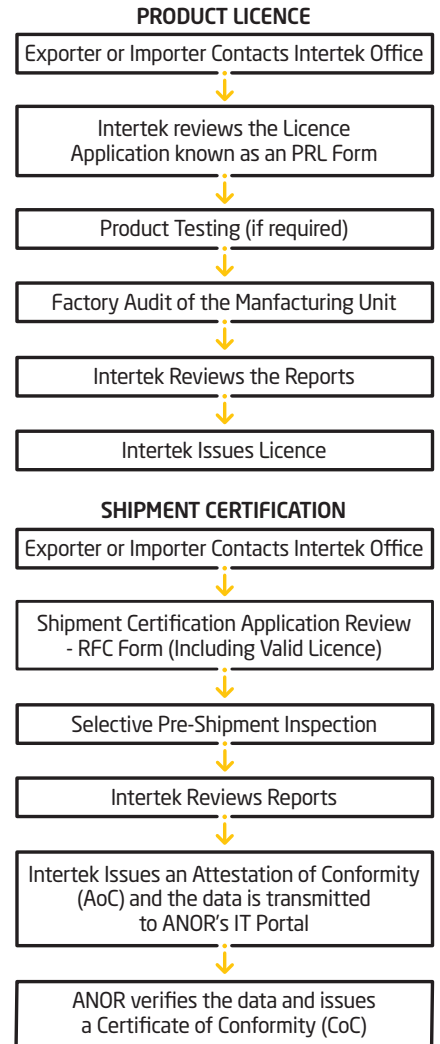
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Licensed Status - Route C (For High volume Exporters)

Licence is issued to Manufacturers under Route C and can be used for multiple shipments for a period of one year from its date of issue.

- Licensed Products exported to Cameroon for the first time by an applicant under PECAE should have undergone at least 3 successful shipments through Route A.
- Products must demonstrate full compliance with the Cameroonian Essential Requirements, mandatory Cameroonian Standards or in its absence to other relevant Regional/International Standards
- Factory audit of all licensed product manufacturing sites to ensure compliance to standard(s)
- AoC will be issued on the basis of the valid Licence and successful random physical inspections (lesser intervention than Route B).
- CoC is issued by ANOR based on the AoC issued by Intertek.



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The party applying for conformity assessment and certification services is responsible for the payment of fees to Intertek.

- 1. Registrations and Licensing** - Fees for Registration and Licensing are payable by the party submitting the application.
- 2. Shipment Certification** - Fees for Pre Shipment inspection are as stipulated and published by ANOR. The fee guidelines are as tabulated below.



PECAE Certification	Description		Fee (€ Euro)	
	Routes	Ad Valorem fee as a percentage of the declared FOB value	Minimum Fee	Maximum Fee
Attestation of Conformity (AoC)	A	0.45%	€300.00	€7000.00
	B	0.40%	€300.00	€7000.00
	C	0.27%	€300.00	€7000.00

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Key:

- ANOR Agence des Normes et de la Qualité
- AoC Attestation of Conformity
- CSC Customer Service Centre
- DI no. Declaration of Importation number
- FOB Free on Board
- PSI Pre-Shipment Inspection
- RFC Request for Certification
- CoC Certificate of Conformity
- SoR Statement of Registration
- PECAE Programme d'Évaluation de la Conformité Avant Embarquement
- PR No. NEF (E-force) number
- PRL Request for Product Certificate, Registration, Licence

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