



Verification of Conformity

*Boost your exports
Demonstrate compliance of your products*



GABON
**PROGEC (Consignment Based
Conformity Assessment Programme)**



Move Forward with Confidence



SCOPE



PROGEC PROGRAMME

The Gabonese Standardization Agency (AGANOR – Agence Gabonaise de Normalisation) has appointed Bureau Veritas to implement the Gabonese Consignment Based Conformity Assessment Programme (PROGEC).

Bureau Veritas verifies, in the region of export and prior to shipment, the conformity of the goods to Gabonese and/or international standards and issues the Certificate of Conformity required for Customs clearance of the goods in Gabon.

OBJECTIVES

- Protection of the consumers and the industries
- Protection of the environment
- Conformity Assurance
- Swift customs clearance with the appropriate Certificate of Conformity (CoC)

GROUP OF PRODUCTS COVERED

- I. Machinery, mechanical appliances, electronic and electrical products
- II. Building products
- III. Chemical products
- IV. Medical devices
- V. Body care and health products
- VI. Toys

BASIC PROCESS OVERVIEW



PROCESS



Step 1 : Request for Certificate

Exporter lodges a Request for Certificate (available on <https://verigates.bureauveritas.com>) to a Bureau Veritas local contact. Said request should include:

- List, designation of goods intended to be exported, importer / exporter details (name, address, invoice, ...),
- Conformity documents available (ex: Third party certificate, Test reports, Reports of analysis according to applicable standards),
- Certificate of the manufacturer according to ISO 9001 or other quality standard such as ISO 22000, ISO/TS 16949, ISO 13485... if any,
- Information related to local and provisional date of availability of goods to carry out their physical inspection before shipment. (Filling up of the Request For Certificate (RFC) Form)

Step 2 : Routes to compliance

To facilitate trade and adjust intervention to the risk, 3 different routes are available in our PROGEC Programme to demonstrate compliance:

- Route **A**: Any good, any trader
- Route **B** (Registration): Goods already registered by Bureau Veritas
- Route **C** (Licensing): Goods already licensed by Bureau Veritas

Step 3 : Documentary review / Testing

Bureau Veritas reviews all information provided and checks their adequacy against the Gabonese standards. Laboratory testing / analysis are conducted on samples if necessary.

Step 4 : Inspection

Bureau Veritas checks:

- Products against applicable standards
- That goods presented are those identified during the documentary review
- That goods match their description in the import / export documents
- If necessary, Bureau Veritas inspectors may take samples for additional assessment.

Step 5 : PROGEC Certificate

Bureau Veritas checks the inspection report against the provided documents. Upon satisfactory results, a secured Certificate of Conformity is issued, else, a Non-Conformity Report is produced. Exporters are recommended not to ship their goods prior issuance of the required Certificate.

FACILITATION PROCEDURE



Registration (Route B) and Licensing (Route C) are options offered for regular importer/exporter to Gabon. The documents and system in place to ensure conformity to Gabonese requirements are preliminary reviewed (test report, certificate, results of testing, inspection, factory audit....)

Registration and Licensing

Registration and Licensing application



Shipment verification

SoR/SoL reduces the documentary review and/or inspection of shipment and speed up the issuance of certificate in performing the necessary monitoring.



Find list of contacts and detailed information about the programme on <https://verigates.bureauveritas.com>

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