



Botswana

Ratified Agreement: **Yes**

Ratification Date: **2015-06-18**

Implementation Notifications (Categories A, B, C)

| | Due date | Status |
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| Notified all category ABC designations | by 22 February 2017 | Yes |
| A - 28.2% | B - 67.2% | C - 4.6% |
| Not yet notified - 0.0% | | |
| Notified indicative dates in Category B | by 22 February 2017 | Yes |
| Notified definitive dates in Category B | by 22 February 2018 | Yes |
| Notified indicative dates in Category C | by 22 February 2017 | Yes |
| Notified definitive dates in Category C | by 22 August 2019 | Yes |
| Notified Technical Assistance requirements | by 22 February 2017 | Yes |
| Notified arrangements on the provision of technical assistance support | by 22 February 2018 | No |
| Notified progress in the provision of technical assistance support | by 22 August 2019 | No |

Transparency notifications

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| Notified Art. 1.4 | Category B | Definitive implementation date 30 June 2024 | No |
| Notified Art. 10.4.3 | Category C | Definitive implementation date 31 December 2027 | No |
| Notified Art. 10.6.2 | Category A | Definitive implementation date 22 February 2017 | Yes |
| Notified Art. 12.2 | Category B | Definitive implementation date 31 December 2020 | Yes |

Information on Assistance and Capacity Building

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| Notified Art. 22.3 | Yes |
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Legend: Yes Notification presented No Notification due No Notification not yet due

| Implementation schedule | | | Indicative implementation date | Definitive implementation date |
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| 1.1 | Publication | B E | by 31 December 2020 | by 30 June 2023 |
| 1.2 | Information available through internet | B E | by 31 December 2020 | by 30 June 2023 |
| 1.3 | Enquiry points | C | by 31 December 2022 | by 31 December 2025 |
| 1.4 | Notification | B E | by 31 December 2022 | by 30 June 2024 |
| 2.1 | Comments and information before entry into force | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 2.2 | Consultations | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 3 | Advance rulings | B | by 31 December 2020 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 4 | Procedures for appeal or review | B | by 31 December 2020 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 5.1 | Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 5.2 | Detention | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 5.3 | Test procedures | C | by 31 December 2025 | by 31 December 2025 |
| 6.1 | General disciplines on fees and charges | B | by 31 December 2019 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 6.2 | Specific disciplines on fees and charges | B | by 31 December 2019 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 6.3 | Penalty Disciplines | B | by 31 December 2020 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 7.1 | Pre-arrival processing | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 7.2 | Electronic payment | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 7.3 | Separation of release | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 7.4 | Risk management | A | | by 22 February 2017 |

| Implementation schedule | | | Indicative implementation date | Definitive implementation date |
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| 7.5 | Post-clearance audit | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 7.6 | Average release times | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 7.7 | Authorized operators | B | by 31 December 2021 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 7.8 | Expedited shipments | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 7.9 | Perishable goods | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 8 | Border Agency Cooperation | B | by 31 December 2021 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 9 | Movement of goods | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 10.1 | Formalities | B | by 31 December 2020 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 10.2 | Acceptance of copies | B | by 31 December 2020 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 10.3 | Use of international standards | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 10.4 | Single window | C | by 31 December 2027 | by 31 December 2027 |
| 10.5 | Preshipment inspection | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 10.6 | Use of customs brokers | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 10.7 | Common border procedures | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 10.8 | Rejected Goods | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 10.9 | Temporary admission of goods and inward and outward processing | A | | by 22 February 2017 |
| 11 | Transit | B | by 31 December 2020 | by 31 December 2020 |
| 12 | Customs cooperation | B | by 31 December 2020 | by 31 December 2020 |

Legend

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| A | Notified in Cat. A | Ap | Partially notified in A | | |
| B | Notified in Cat. B | Bp | Partially notified in B | C»B | Shift from C to B |
| C | Notified in Cat. C | Cp | Partially notified in C | B»C | Shift from B to C |
| N | Not yet notified | E | Extension of time requested | | |

Notifications and other documents

| Symbol | Date | Description |
|---------------------|------------|--|
| G/TFA/W/92 | 2023-07-05 | The role of technology transfer in building resilience: Trade Facilitation |
| G/TFA/N/BWA/1/Add.3 | 2022-07-25 | Extension of implementation dates |
| G/TFA/N/BWA/3 | 2022-07-25 | Article 22.3 - contact points |
| G/TFA/N/BWA/1/Add.2 | 2021-09-13 | Extension of implementation dates |
| G/TFA/N/BWA/2 | 2019-10-22 | Articles 10.6.2 and 12.2.2 |
| G/TFA/N/BWA/1/Add.1 | 2018-03-12 | Categories B and C notification - Addendum |
| G/TFA/N/BWA/1 | 2017-05-31 | Cat. B and C |
| WT/PCTF/N/BWA/1 | 2014-10-03 | Category A notification |

1.3 Enquiry points



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Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2022

Definitive date of implementation

31 December 2025

Assistance required for implementation

- Undertaking an Information needs analysis and developing a suitable strategy to the needs
- Designating appropriate agencies or Departments
- Establishing standards and procedures of quality control including fixed timelines
- Training of personnel on service delivery
- Investment in the necessary hardware

Tags: *Infrastructure and equipment, Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, Institutional procedures, Human resources and training*

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Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2025

Definitive date of implementation

31 December 2025

Assistance required for implementation

- Support on Accreditation of Botswana Bureau of Standards testing laboratories
- Review of the Standards Act.
- Training and Capacity Building of BOBS test officers/technicians on method validation and measurement uncertainty
- Support on maintenance of Accreditation of laboratories
- Development of the National Quality standards, accreditation and certification
- Procurement of Testing equipment
- Development of a new lab including infrastructure and equipment for the Botswana Unified Revenue Services (BURS)
- Specialised software service for the newly developed lab

Tags: *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training*

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Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2027

Definitive date of implementation






31 December 2027

Assistance required for implementation

- Conduct Feasibility studies and business cases
- Develop IT platforms for other border agencies
- Training for all Trade Related Ministries

Tags: *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, Human resources and training*

Legend

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|  | Notified in Cat. C |  | Partially notified in C |  | Extension of time requested |
|  | Donor arrangement notified |  | Donor arrangement not yet notified | | |

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