



## Botswana

Ratified Agreement: Yes

Ratification Date: 2015-06-18

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

## Transparency notifications

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

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
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
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

## Legend

A	Notified in Cat. A	Ap	Partially notified in A		
B	Notified in Cat. B	Bp	Partially notified in B	G>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	2021-08-30	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



1.3.1  
1.3.2  
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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*

5.3.1  
5.3.2  
5.3.3

**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*

10.4.1  
10.4.2  
10.4.3  
10.4.4**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**

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

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