



# 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	<b>Yes</b>
<b>A</b> - 28.2%	<b>B</b> - 67.2%	<b>C</b> - 4.6%	<b>Not yet notified</b> - 0.0%	
Notified indicative dates in <b>Category B</b>			by 22 February 2017	<b>Yes</b>
Notified definitive dates in <b>Category B</b>			by 22 February 2018	<b>Yes</b>
Notified indicative dates in <b>Category C</b>			by 22 February 2017	<b>Yes</b>
Notified definitive dates in <b>Category C</b>			by 22 August 2019	<b>Yes</b>
Notified Technical Assistance requirements			by 22 February 2017	<b>Yes</b>
Notified arrangements on the provision of technical assistance support			by 22 February 2018	<b>No</b>
Notified progress in the provision of technical assistance support			by 22 August 2019	<b>No</b>

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	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	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	2021-08-30	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



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Indicative date of implementation	Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2022	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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5.3.2  
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**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2025

**Definitive date of implementation**  
31 December 2025

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**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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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**

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

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