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# Senegal

**Ratified Agreement:** Yes

**Ratification Date:** 2016-08-24

| Implementation Notifications (Categories A, B, C) | | | Due date | Status |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Notified all category ABC designations | | | by 22 February 2018 | Yes |
| A - 52.5% | B - 10.5% | C - 37.0% | **Not yet notified** - 0.0% | |
| Notified indicative dates in Category B | | | by 22 February 2018 | Yes |
| Notified definitive dates in Category B | | | Extension agreed until 31 August 2020 | Yes |
| Notified indicative dates in Category C | | | by 22 February 2021 | Yes |
| Notified definitive dates in Category C | | | by 22 August 2022 | Yes |
| Notified Technical Assistance requirements | | | by 22 February 2019 | Yes |
| Notified arrangements on the provision of technical assistance support | | | by 22 February 2021 | Yes |
| Notified progress in the provision of technical assistance support | | | by 22 August 2022 | Yes |

| Transparency notifications | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Notified Art. 1.4 | Category C | Definitive implementation date 31 December 2028 | No |
| Notified Art. 10.4.3 | Category A | Definitive implementation date 22 February 2018 | Yes |
| Notified Art. 10.6.2 | Category A | Definitive implementation date 22 February 2018 | Yes |
| Notified Art. 12.2 | Category A | Definitive implementation date 22 February 2018 | Yes |

## Information on Assistance and Capacity Building

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| Notified Art. 22.3 | Yes |

**Legend:** Yes Notification presented | No Notification due | No Notification not yet due

| Implementation schedule | | | Indicative implementation date | Definitive implementation date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1.1 | Publication | C | by 22 February 2020 | by 31 December 2028 |
| 1.2 | Information available through internet | C | by 22 February 2020 | by 31 December 2028 |
| 1.3 | Enquiry points | C | by 22 February 2020 | by 31 December 2028 |
| 1.4 | Notification | C | by 22 February 2020 | by 31 December 2028 |
| 2.1 | Comments and information before entry into force | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 2.2 | Consultations | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 3 | Advance rulings | C E | by 22 February 2023 | by 31 December 2027 |
| 4 | Procedures for appeal or review | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 5.1 | Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections | C | by 22 February 2024 | by 31 December 2030 |
| 5.2 | Detention | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 5.3 | Test procedures | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 6.1 | General disciplines on fees and charges | C | by 22 February 2024 | by 31 December 2030 |
| 6.2 | Specific disciplines on fees and charges | C | by 22 February 2024 | by 31 December 2030 |
| 6.3 | Penalty Disciplines | C | by 22 February 2028 | by 31 December 2035 |

| Implementation schedule | | | Indicative implementation date | Definitive implementation date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7.1 | Pre-arrival processing | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 7.2 | Electronic payment | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 7.3 | Separation of release | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 7.4 | Risk management | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 7.5 | Post-clearance audit | C | by 22 February 2023 | by 31 December 2026 |
| 7.6 | Average release times | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 7.7 | Authorized operators | C | by 22 February 2022 | by 31 December 2024 |
| 7.8 | Expedited shipments | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 7.9 | Perishable goods | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 8 | Border Agency Cooperation | C | by 22 February 2024 | by 31 December 2028 |
| 9 | Movement of goods | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 10.1 | Formalities | B | by 22 February 2024 | by 22 February 2025 |
| 10.2 | Acceptance of copies | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 10.3 | Use of international standards | A | | by 22 February 2018 |

| Implementation schedule | | | Indicative implementation date | Definitive implementation date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10.4 | Single window | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 10.5 | Preshipment inspection | C | by 22 February 2024 | by 31 December 2022 |
| 10.6 | Use of customs brokers | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 10.7 | Common border procedures | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 10.8 | Rejected Goods | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 10.9 | Temporary admission of goods and inward and outward processing | A | | by 22 February 2018 |
| 11 | Transit | B | by 22 February 2020 | by 22 February 2025 |
| 12 | Customs cooperation | A | | by 22 February 2018 |

**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/N/SEN/1/Add.4 | 2025-09-02 | Extension of implementation dates |

| Symbol | Date | Description |
|---|---|---|
| G/TFA/W/92 | 2023-07-05 | The role of technology transfer in building resilience: Trade Facilitation |
| G/TFA/N/SEN/2/Rev.1 | 2023-02-16 | Article 22.3 - Revision |
| G/TFA/N/SEN/1/Add.3 | 2022-08-11 | Category C notification |
| G/TFA/N/SEN/4 | 2021-02-26 | Arrangements and progress in the provision of technical assistance |
| G/TFA/N/SEN/2 | 2020-09-07 | Article 22.3 |
| G/TFA/N/SEN/3 | 2020-09-07 | Articles 10.4.3, 10.6.2 & 12.2.2 |
| G/TFA/N/SEN/1/Add.2 | 2020-09-03 | Category B |
| G/TFA/N/SEN/1/Add.1 | 2020-02-20 | Category B notification - Extension of time request to notify Cat. B definitive dates |
| G/TFA/N/SEN/1 | 2019-06-03 | Categories A, B and C notification |
| WT/PCTF/N/SEN/1 | 2014-10-27 | Category A notification |

## Experience Sharing

**Digitalization**

| Date | Title |
|---|---|
| 28 November 2022 - 29 November 2022 | Digitalize import processes for agriculture products (ePhyto solution) |

# Technical Assistance detailled information

## 1.1 Publication

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**1.1.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j)**

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2020

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2028

### Assistance required for implementation

-Introduce standardized procedures for collecting , processing and disseminating trade-related information
-Enhance the human capacities of the administration with regard to developing procedures
-Organize inter-agency coordination meetings to verify the validity/ongoing use of the information available
-Publish compendiums of all the decisions and interpretations of general scope that may be used as jurisprudence
-Enhance the human and material capacities of the Chamber of Commerce

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

**Donor Agencies:** United States Agency for International Development

### Progress reported

The establishment of a trade information portal has made it possible to collect and publish the information referred to in Article 1.1 of the TFA.

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1.2.1 (a), (b), (c)
1.2.2
1.2.3

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2020

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2028

## Assistance required for implementation

-Set up a committee to manage the content of the trade information portal
-Organize regular information meetings between agencies and with the private sector to assess the quality of the service provided and potential areas for improvement
-Organize inter-agency coordination meetings to verify the validity/updating of the information available
-Update, on a regular basis, websites that are affiliated with the trade information portal
-Acquire the equipment and software needed to ensure the portal functions properly
-Recruit support staff for management purposes
-Organize training for enquiry points on the use of the trade information portal
-Organize training for trade policy experts, IT experts and private-sector experts on the use of the trade information portal
-Enhance the human capacities of the administration with regard to developing procedures
-Enhance the human and material capacities of the Chamber of Commerce

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Infrastructure and equipment, Institutional procedures, Human resources and training*

**Donor Agencies:** United States Agency for International Development

## Progress reported

Senegal has created a website (trade information portal) which consolidates all the information related to international trade procedures.
Structures were established for this purpose and representatives of the different administrations concerned were appointed.
The information was then collected, processed and made available to the IT service provider for the launch of a pilot phase.

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1.3.2
1.3.3
1.3.4

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2020

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2028

## Assistance required for implementation

-Identify one or more regional enquiry points for responding to enquiries concerning common WAEMU and ECOWAS procedures
-Set up a trade facilitation centre to ensure synergy:
-between national enquiry points and the notification authority
-between national enquiry points and regional enquiry points
-Prepare manuals outlining enquiry point operating procedures
-Define indicators for measuring the quality of services provided
-Equip the notification authority and enquiry points with material resources
-Reserve a space on the portal for each enquiry point
-Reinforce notification authority and enquiry point staff resources
-Organize training on requests and response flows

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

**Donor Agencies:** United States Agency for International Development

## Progress reported

The development of the trade information portal project has made it possible to identify enquiry points which will subsequently be established and notified.

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1.4 (a), (b), (c)

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2020

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2028

## Assistance required for implementation

- Set up enquiry points

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT)*

**Donor Agencies:** United States Agency for International Development

## Progress reported

The trade information portal project aims, in the long term, to facilitate the notification of the official locations where the information referred to in paragraph 1.1(a)-(j) is published, and the Uniform Resource Locators of the website referred to in paragraph 2.1 and the contact information of the enquiry points.

**3.1**
**3.2 (a), (b)**
**3.3**
**3.4**
**3.5**
**3.6 (a), (b), (c)**
**3.7**
**3.8**
**3.9 (a) (i), (ii), (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (c), (d)**

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2023

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2027

## Assistance required for implementation

-Set up an advisory committee to study all requests giving rise to a reasoned opinion from the Director-General of Customs
-Introduce an electronic system for the submission and publication of advance rulings (within the framework of e customs, where operators can apply for advance rulings)
-Organize training on request management and processing
-Organize training for the private sector on the use of the electronic system
-Launch an awareness-raising campaign to inform beneficiaries of the existence of this new service

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

**Donor Agencies:** to be determined

## Progress reported

To date, no development partners have proposed assistance for the implementation of this measure.

## 5.1 Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections

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**5.1 (a), (b), (c), (d)**

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2024

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2030

## Assistance required for implementation

? Introduce a system to manage health risks
? Implement the administrative procedure for notifying the termination of enhanced control procedures
? Implement the requirement to base enhanced controls on risk management outcomes
? Equip the notification authority and enquiry points with material information resources
? Strengthen risk assessment bodies
? Assistance with regard to risk management, support for a project to develop quality standardization infrastructure; conformity assessment and test procedures
? Establish guidance on collaboration between Customs, the veterinary services, the Plant Protection Directorate and the Consumption and Consumer Safety Division at border points
? Develop a computerized exchange platform
? Conduct an integrated risk management feasibility study that also takes into account the possibility of delegating controls, in particular documentary controls, to other targeted and specialized services
? Raise border agencies' awareness of the technical, legal and operational aspects of digitalization and provide them with training
? Ensure that private sector agents and representatives are brought up to date on the use of electronic tools
? Assess the need to develop software applications and/or a computer system for border agencies, including those at land borders, with a view to upgrading the use of ICT by these services
? Progressively computerize procedures by building on the existing infrastructure and electronic processes of the ORBUS single window. This will require a review of digital processes, so as to ensure that such processes are better adapted to the needs of agencies and actual procedures. Allow exporting countries to submit certificates in electronic form via the ORBUS single window, thus permitting the integration of the eCert standard or the application of ePHYTO
? Introduce an integrated risk management information tool for the relevant bodies (Customs, veterinary services, Plant Protection Directorate, Consumption and Consumer Safety Division)
? Carry out audits of import procedures and processes, in particular those involving food product inspection, using tools developed by relevant international organizations or on the basis of recommendations issued by such organizations, with a view to updating the regulatory framework and existing procedures
? Introduce a strategic and operational framework for collaboration between border agencies
? Computerize formalities relating to sanitary and phytosanitary control procedures and the control of foodstuffs

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, Institutional procedures, Awareness-raising*

**Donor Agencies:** to be determined

## Progress reported

To date, no development partners have proposed assistance for the implementation of this measure.

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6.1.2
6.1.3
6.1.4

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2024

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2030

## Assistance required for implementation

? Review and analyse texts, laws, regulations and memos concerning fees and charges
? Develop a framework for the periodic review of these fees and charges with a view to reducing them and scaling down complexities
? Create a database for the administration of fees and charges
? Provide technical training to the services responsible for establishing or approving the cost structure used
? Conduct a study of the situation regarding fees and charges and draft a proposal for the revision of rates with a view to applying the new approach resulting from the study
? Assistance is needed to harmonize practices

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Diagnostic and Needs Assessment*

**Donor Agencies:** United States Agency for International Development

## Progress reported

Senegal has completed a mapping of fees and charges which will be published on the trade information portal.

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6.2 (i), (ii)

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2024

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2030

## Assistance required for implementation

? Assistance is needed to harmonize practices

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework*

**Donor Agencies:** United States Agency for International Development

## Progress reported

Senegal has completed a mapping of fees and charges which will be published on the trade information portal.

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6.3.1
6.3.2
6.3.3
6.3.4 (a), (b)
6.3.5
6.3.6
6.3.7

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2028

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2035

## Assistance required for implementation

? Organize an awareness-raising workshop for customs officials on the implementation of Article 6.3
? Recruit an expert to study the new system of incentives for enforcement officers
? Organize study trips to two or three countries that have a more neutral incentive system

**Tags:** *Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

**Donor Agencies:** United States Agency for International Development

## Progress reported

Senegal has worked to develop a voluntary disclosure programme. In this regard, it has prepared:
• a draft Law amending Article 330 of the Customs Code;
• a draft Order on voluntary disclosure; and
• a decision by the Director-General of Customs (an operational implementation manual) with a scope of application, eligibility criteria, the procedure to follow for voluntary disclosure and the adoption of request and reply forms.

7.5.1
7.5.2
7.5.3
7.5.4

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2023

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2026

## Assistance required for implementation

? Prepare an internal guide for auditors
? Establish an internal procedure for sharing information with operational units, and a risk management process, to prevent duplication and overlaps
? Develop a training programme on risk management-based audit methods for officials from the post-clearance audit office
? Build the capacity of audit offices (officials specialized in IT, accounting, special products, etc.)
? Training on auditing methods relevant to customs auditing
? Train trainers on auditing methods
? Organize an awareness-raising workshop for other customs officials on auditing methods
? Organize awareness-raising activities on cooperation with other agencies
? Specific training on special products
? Organize capacity-building workshops and establish the necessary administrative procedures
? Logistical materials (laboratories, liaison vehicles, computer equipment, etc.)
? Recruit international experts to examine requirements in terms of information and communication technologies (ICT) to support post-clearance audit operations

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

**Donor Agencies:** United States Agency for International Development

## Progress reported

The application of this provision of the TFA requires the Customs Administration to train its officers on post-clearance audit methods. Senegal will proceed with the launch of the pilot phase and the official implementation of the project.

**7.7.1**
**7.7.2 (a) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (i), (ii)**
**7.7.3 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g)**
**7.7.4**
**7.7.5**
**7.7.6**

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2022

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2024

## Assistance required for implementation

? Prepare an internal guide for auditors
? Establish an internal procedure for sharing information with operational units, and a risk management process, to prevent duplication and overlaps
? Develop a training programme on risk management-based audit methods for officials from the post-clearance audit office
? Build the capacity of audit offices (officials specialized in IT, accounting, special products, etc.)
? Training on auditing methods relevant to customs auditing
? Train trainers on auditing methods
? Organize an awareness-raising workshop for other customs officials on auditing methods
? Organize awareness-raising activities on cooperation with other agencies
? Specific training on special products
? Organize capacity-building workshops and establish the necessary administrative procedures
? Logistical materials (laboratories, liaison vehicles, computer equipment, etc.)
? Recruit international experts to examine requirements in terms of information and communication technologies (ICT) to support post-clearance audit operations

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, Institutional procedures, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

**Donor Agencies:** United States Agency for International Development

## Progress reported

In 2011, Senegal established a privileged partners programme (PPP) inspired by Pillar 2 of the World Customs Organization Framework of Standards.
During the needs assessment for Senegal, it was noted that there was a need to bring the PPP further into line with the standards on authorized economic operators (AEOs). To achieve this final objective, the project made it possible to develop:
• a draft Order;
• an AEO guide;
• a procedural manual;
• a methodological AEO audit guide;
• an application for authorization (form);
• a self-assessment form; and
• a series of practical training sessions for front-line officers and the private sector for the operationalization of the AEO programme.

**8.1**
**8.2 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)**

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2024

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2028

## Assistance required for implementation

? Establish an inter-agency committee at border post level
? List, analyse and approve existing procedures and formalities
? Interconnect information systems
? Train officials on the use of new technologies
? Organize workshops to raise awareness of texts and procedures
? Organize a workshop on setting up an integrated single window
? Recruit an international expert
? Secure the means to purchase materials
? Secure the means to organize workshops

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, Institutional procedures, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

**Donor Agencies:** to be determined

## Progress reported

To date, no development partners have proposed assistance for the implementation of this measure.

## 10.5 Preshipment inspection

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10.5.1
10.5.2

**Indicative date of implementation**
22 February 2024

**Definitive date of implementation**
31 December 2022

### Assistance required for implementation

-Strengthen internal customs valuation procedures
-Establish standardized procedures for the declaration, request for justification and appeal stages
-Integrate customs posts into the TAME system (electronic system for addressing and analysing risks posed by goods)
-Develop a database of dynamic values
-Improve dispute management and foreign exchange control via the National Information and Documentation File (FNID)
-Enhance the institutional capacities of the Customs Administration
-Enhance the control capacities of customs officials (after the end of the pre-shipment inspection contract)
-Devise a training plan with a programme and materials on the established valuation method and technique
-Secure funding for training
-Purchase new scanners

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Infrastructure and equipment, Institutional procedures, Human resources and training*

**Donor Agencies:** to be determined

### Progress reported

To date, no development partners have proposed assistance for the implementation of this measure.

**Legend**

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

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