



# Zambia

Ratified Agreement: **Yes**

Ratification Date: **2015-12-16**

## Implementation Notifications (Categories A, B, C)

|   | Due date            | Status     |
|---|---------------------|------------|
| Notified all category ABC designations  | by 22 February 2018 | <b>Yes</b> |
| <span style="color: green;">A</span> - 5.5% <span style="color: blue;">B</span> - 27.7% <span style="color: red;">C</span> - 66.8% <b>Not yet notified</b> - 0.0% |                     |            |
| Notified indicative dates in <span style="color: blue;">Category B</span>   | by 22 February 2018 | <b>Yes</b> |
| Notified definitive dates in <span style="color: blue;">Category B</span>   | by 22 February 2020 | <b>Yes</b> |
| Notified indicative dates in <span style="color: red;">Category C</span>  | by 22 February 2021 | <b>Yes</b> |
| Notified definitive dates in <span style="color: red;">Category C</span>  | by 22 August 2022   | <b>Yes</b> |
| Notified Technical Assistance requirements  | by 22 February 2019 | <b>Yes</b> |
| Notified arrangements on the provision of technical assistance support  | by 22 February 2021 | <b>No</b>  |
| Notified progress in the provision of technical assistance support  | by 22 August 2022   | <b>No</b>  |

### Transparency notifications

|                      |            |   |    |
|----------------------|------------|---|----|
| Notified Art. 1.4    | Category C | Definitive implementation date 31 December 2025 | No |
| Notified Art. 10.4.3 | Category C | Definitive implementation date 31 December 2030 | No |
| Notified Art. 10.6.2 | Category C | Definitive implementation date 31 December 2025 | No |
| Notified Art. 12.2   | Category C | Definitive implementation date 31 December 2038 | No |

### 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 |
|-------------------------|--|-----|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1.1                     | Publication  | B   | by 31 December 2019            | by 30 June 2020                |
| 1.2                     | Information available through internet             | C   | by 31 December 2019            | by 30 June 2020                |
| 1.3                     | Enquiry points                                     | C   | by 31 December 2020            | by 31 December 2020            |
| 1.4                     | Notification                                       | C E | by 31 December 2022            | by 31 December 2025            |
| 2.1                     | Comments and information before entry into force   | B   | by 31 December 2020            | by 31 December 2020            |
| 2.2                     | Consultations                                      | B   | by 31 December 2020            | by 31 December 2020            |
| 3                       | Advance rulings                                    | B E | by 31 December 2021            | by 30 June 2023                |
| 4                       | Procedures for appeal or review                    | B   | by 30 November 2019            | by 30 June 2020                |
| 5.1                     | Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections | C   | by 31 December 2024            | by 31 December 2024            |
| 5.2                     | Detention  | B   | by 31 December 2024            | by 31 December 2024            |
| 5.3                     | Test procedures                                    | C   | by 31 December 2024            | by 31 December 2024            |
| 6.1                     | General disciplines on fees and charges            | C E | by 31 December 2021            | by 31 December 2025            |
| 6.2                     | Specific disciplines on fees and charges           | B   | by 31 December 2021            | by 31 December 2022            |
| 6.3                     | Penalty Disciplines                                | C E | by 31 December 2019            | by 31 December 2024            |
| 7.1                     | Pre-arrival processing                             | C E | by 31 December 2022            | by 31 December 2024            |
| 7.2                     | Electronic payment                                 | C   | by 31 December 2025            | by 31 December 2025            |
| 7.3                     | Separation of release                              | B E | by 31 December 2022            | by 31 December 2025            |
| 7.4                     | Risk management                                    | C   | by 31 December 2025            | by 31 December 2025            |

| Implementation schedule |  |           | Indicative implementation date            | Definitive implementation date            |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|---|---|
| 7.5                     | Post-clearance audit   | C         | by 31 December 2025                       | by 31 December 2025                       |
| 7.6                     | Average release times  | C E       | by 31 December 2020                       | by 30 June 2023                           |
| 7.7                     | Authorized operators   | C         | by 31 December 2024                       | by 31 December 2024                       |
| 7.8                     | Expedited shipments  | C E       | by 31 December 2021                       | by 31 December 2025                       |
| 7.9                     | Perishable goods   | B         | by 31 December 2025                       | by 31 December 2025                       |
| 8                       | Border Agency Cooperation                                      | C         | by 31 January 2023                        | by 31 December 2023                       |
| 9                       | Movement of goods  | A         |   | by 22 February 2018                       |
| 10.1                    | Formalities  | C         | by 31 December 2021                       | by 31 December 2024                       |
| 10.2                    | Acceptance of copies   | B         | by 31 December 2019                       | by 31 December 2020                       |
| 10.3                    | Use of international standards                                 | C         | by 31 December 2024                       | by 31 December 2024                       |
| 10.4                    | Single window  | C         | by 31 December 2030                       | by 31 December 2030                       |
| 10.5                    | Preshipment inspection   | A         |   | by 22 February 2018                       |
| 10.6                    | Use of customs brokers   | C E       | by 31 December 2022                       | by 31 December 2025                       |
| 10.7                    | Common border procedures                                       | A         |   | by 22 February 2018                       |
| 10.8                    | Rejected Goods   | B         | by 31 December 2023                       | by 31 December 2023                       |
| 10.9                    | Temporary admission of goods and inward and outward processing | B         | by 31 December 2020                       | by 31 December 2020                       |
| 11                      | Transit  | Ap Cp B>C | from 22 February 2018 to 31 December 2030 | from 22 February 2018 to 31 December 2030 |
| 12                      | Customs cooperation  | C         | by 31 December 2038                       | by 31 December 2038                       |

## Legend

|          |                    |           |                             |            |                   |
|----------|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| <b>A</b> | Notified in Cat. A | <b>Ap</b> | Partially notified in A     |            |                   |
| <b>B</b> | Notified in Cat. B | <b>Bp</b> | Partially notified in B     | <b>C»B</b> | Shift from C to B |
| <b>C</b> | Notified in Cat. C | <b>Cp</b> | Partially notified in C     | <b>B»C</b> | Shift from B to C |
| <b>N</b> | Not yet notified   | <b>E</b>  | 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/ZMB/1/Add.2  | 2022-09-30 | Extension of implementation dates  |
| G/TFA/N/ZMB/2/Rev.1  | 2022-02-24 | Article 22.3 - Revision  |
| G/TFA/N/ZMB/1/Add.1  | 2021-10-13 | Extension of implementation dates  |
| G/TFA/N/ZMB/2        | 2021-10-08 | Article 22.3   |
| G/TFA/W/34           | 2021-02-23 | Launch of the Zambia Trade Information Portal                              |
| G/TFA/N/ZMB/1/Corr.1 | 2019-11-04 | Categories B and C - Corrigendum (in English only)                         |
| G/TFA/N/ZMB/1        | 2019-10-23 | Categories B and C notification  |
| WT/PCTF/N/ZMB/1      | 2016-01-18 | Category A, B and C notification   |

## Experience Sharing

### 7.7 - Authorized operators

| Date                             | Title   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 9 October 2018 - 11 October 2018 | Authorised Economic Operators (AEO) - Customs Accredited Client Programme |

### Implementation experience

| Date                              | Title   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| 15 October 2019 - 16 October 2019 | Support from cooperating partners and Zambia's achievements in the implementation of the TFA (Ms. Lillian Bwalya) |

## Technical Assistance detailed information

### 1.2 Information available through internet



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

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2019

**Definitive date of implementation**  
30 June 2020

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**Assistance required for implementation**

Stakeholder awareness campaigns to promote the E-Portal

**Tags:** *Awareness-raising*

1.3.1  
1.3.2  
1.3.3  
1.3.4

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2020

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2020

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Expand enquiry points beyond ZRA to other Agencies
- Strengthen SPS Committee
- Establish a national call centre to answer to TF issues
- Public awareness campaigns to publicise the national call centre

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



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

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2022

**Definitive date of implementation**  
31 December 2025

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**Assistance required for implementation**

Administrative Support for the NCTF Secretariat

**Tags:** *Human resources and training*





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

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2024

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2024

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**Assistance required for implementation**

Support for setting up Destination Inspection Yards to encourage further joint inspections by agencies. This support is expected to reduce agencies at the border.

**Tags:** *Human resources and training*

5.3.1  
5.3.2  
5.3.3

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2024

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2024

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Infrastructure development of laboratory facilities/onsite laboratory facilities
- Implementation of electronic interfaces between the accredited laboratories, XRF Analysers and the ASYCUDA World
- Capacity building of staff operating laboratories accreditation of identified laboratories

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

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| 6.1.1 | <b>Indicative date of implementation</b> | <b>Definitive date of implementation</b> |
|-------|--|--|
| 6.1.2 | 31 December 2021                         | 31 December 2025                         |
| 6.1.3 |  |  |
| 6.1.4 |  |  |

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Harmonization of statutory fees
- Extend the use of the single payment point to all relevant agencies
- Stakeholder engagements

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Awareness-raising*

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

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2019

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2024

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legislative review
- Stakeholder engagement

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Awareness-raising*

7.1.1  
7.1.2

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2022

**Definitive date of implementation**  
31 December 2024

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Automation of Entry and Exit Gates
- Introduction of mandatory Pre-Clearance
- Stakeholder engagement

**Tags:** *Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*



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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**

- Connect all other relevant agencies to the electronic payment system
- Stakeholder education on e-payment

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

7.4.1  
7.4.2  
7.4.3  
7.4.4

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2025

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2025

**Assistance required for implementation**

- ICT technical Infrastructure/back up and security preparedness
- Develop Multi-Agency Risk Management Framework
- Implement Multi-Agency Risk Management Framework on ASYCUDA World Selectivity Platform
- Implement the Governance structures for Multi-Agency Risk Management framework
- Capacity building on sustainable operations of Multi-Agency Risk Management Framework
- Connect scanners to ASYCUDA World

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

7.5.1  
7.5.2  
7.5.3  
7.5.4

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2025

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2025

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Capacity building in Post Clearance Audit (PCA) in all relevant government agencies
- Stakeholder engagement

**Tags:** *Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*





7.6.1  
7.6.2

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2020

**Definitive date of implementation**  
30 June 2023

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Support for capacity building for agencies to be able to carry our Time Release Studies in future for sustainability of commitments under Article 7.6

**Tags:** *Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, Human resources and training*

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**

31 December 2024

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2024

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Support for the introduction of the multi-agency framework for the Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) concept
- Stakeholder education on benefits of being recognised as Authorized Economic Operator by any agency

**Tags:** *Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*



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7.8.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) **Indicative date of implementation**  
7.8.2 (a), (b), (c), (d) 31 December 2021  
7.8.3

**Definitive date of implementation**  
31 December 2025

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**Assistance required for implementation**

Stakeholder awareness

**Tags:** *Awareness-raising*



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

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 January 2023

**Definitive date of implementation**  
31 December 2023

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Stakeholder education on border operations
- Support for development of the Regulations for the Coordinated Border Management and Trade Facilitation Act

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training*



10.1.1 (a), (b), (c), (d)

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2021

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2024

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Implementation of electronic Certificates of Origin with SADC, COMESA, EU and Others
- Extend the platform to other agencies that issue Import/Export Permits, regulatory approvals under Single Window framework
- Stakeholder education on formalities and documentation requirements

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



10.3.1  
10.3.2

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2024

**Definitive date of implementation**  
31 December 2024

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Support Zambia Bureau of Standards (ZABS) in order to adopt international standards
- Support ZCSA on the application and Implementation of international standards and Conformity Assessment procedures
- Domestication of international standards
- Stakeholder education on domesticated international standards

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

10.4.1  
10.4.2  
10.4.3  
10.4.4

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2030

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2030

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Support the implementation of Phase II of Single Window (remaining twenty-six (26) processes)
- Publicity of National Electronic Single Window processes and activities

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



10.6.1  
10.6.2  
10.6.3

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2022

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2025

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Automate Licensing process for Clearing Agents
- Develop Self-Assessment System
- Accreditation of Clearing Agencies
- Capacity building of Clearing Agents
- Stakeholder education on implemented activities

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



11.1 (a), (b)

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2025

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2025

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Implementation of electronic exchange of data with other Customs administrations
- Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System (ECTS) within Zambia
- Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System along corridors
- Implementation of Regional Transit Guarantee Scheme
- Stakeholder education on transit procedures and controls

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Awareness-raising*

Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.

11.2

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2025

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2025

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Implementation of electronic exchange of data with other Customs administrations
- Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System (ECTS) within Zambia
- Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System along corridors
- Implementation of Regional Transit Guarantee Scheme
- Stakeholder education on transit procedures and controls

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Awareness-raising*

Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.

11.3

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2025

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2025

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Implementation of electronic exchange of data with other Customs administrations
- Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System (ECTS) within Zambia
- Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System along corridors
- Implementation of Regional Transit Guarantee Scheme
- Stakeholder education on transit procedures and controls

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Awareness-raising*

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Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.

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11.16 (a), (b), (c)

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**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2030

**Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2030

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Implementation of electronic exchange of data with other Customs administration
- Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System (ECTS) within Zambia
- Implementation of ECTS along corridors
- Implementation of Regional Transit Guarantee Scheme
- Stakeholder education on transit procedures and controls

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Awareness-raising*



|  | <b>Indicative date of implementation</b>                            | <b>Definitive date of implementation</b> |
|--|---|--|
| 12.1.1                                       | 31 December 2038  | 31 December 2038                         |
| 12.1.2                                       |   |  |
| 12.2.1                                       |   |  |
| 12.2.2                                       |   |  |
| 12.3   |   |  |
| 12.4.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)          | <b>Assistance required for implementation</b>                       |  |
| 12.4.2                                       |   |  |
| 12.5.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)          |   |  |
| 12.5.2                                       |   |  |
| 12.5.3                                       |   |  |
| 12.6.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)               |   |  |
| 12.6.2                                       |   |  |
| 12.7.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)               |   |  |
| 12.7.2                                       |   |  |
| 12.8   |   |  |
| 12.9.1                                       |   |  |
| 12.9.2                                       |   |  |
| 12.10 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) |   |  |
| 12.11.1 (a), (b), (c)                        | <b>Tags:</b> <i>Human resources and training, Awareness-raising</i> |  |
| 12.11.2                                      |   |  |
| 12.12.1                                      |   |  |
| 12.12.2                                      |   |  |

**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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