





Fiji

**Ratified Agreement: Yes** 

Ratification Date: 2017-05-01

Implementation Notifications (Categories A, B, C)  Notified all category ABC designations		Due date  by 22 February 2017		Status	
				Yes	
A - 32.4% B - 35.3%		<b>C</b> - 32.4%	C - 32.4% 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**

Notified Art. 1.4	Category B	Definitive implementation date 30 June 2017	No
Notified Art. 10.4.3	Category C	Definitive implementation date 31 December 2025	No
Notified Art. 10.6.2	Category B	Definitive implementation date 31 December 2018	No
Notified Art. 12.2	Category B	Definitive implementation date 31 December 2018	No
Information on Assistance	and Capacity Building		
Notified Art. 22.3			Yes
Legend: Yes	Notification presented No	Notification due No Notification	not yet due

Implem	entation schedule		Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
1.1	Publication	С	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2020
1.2	Information available through internet	С	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2020
1.3	Enquiry points	В	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2019
1.4	Notification	В	by 30 June 2017	by 30 June 2017
2.1	Comments and information before entry into force	В	by 31 December 2017	by 31 December 2018
2.2	Consultations	В	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2019
3	Advance rulings	C	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2020
4	Procedures for appeal or review	C	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2021
5.1	Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections	В	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2019
5.2	Detention	А		by 22 February 2017
5.3	Test procedures	C	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2023
6.1	General disciplines on fees and charges	В	by 31 December 2017	by 31 December 2018
6.2	Specific disciplines on fees and charges	А		by 22 February 2017
6.3	Penalty Disciplines	А		by 22 February 2017
7.1	Pre-arrival processing	А		by 22 February 2017
7.2	Electronic payment	В	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2019
7.3	Separation of release	А		by 22 February 2017
7.4	Risk management	С	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2021

Impleme	entation schedule		Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
7.5	Post-clearance audit	А		by 22 February 2017
7.6	Average release times	С	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2019
7.7	Authorized operators	С	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2021
7.8	Expedited shipments	А		by 22 February 2017
7.9	Perishable goods	A		by 22 February 2017
8	Border Agency Cooperation	В	by 31 December 2017	by 31 December 2018
9	Movement of goods	A		by 22 February 2017
10.1	Formalities	С	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2019
10.2	Acceptance of copies	А		by 22 February 2017
10.3	Use of international standards	В	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2021
10.4	Single window	С	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2025
10.5	Preshipment inspection	A		by 22 February 2017
10.6	Use of customs brokers	В	by 31 December 2017	by 31 December 2018
10.7	Common border procedures	А		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	Ар Вр	from 22 February 2017 to 31 December 2017	from 22 February 2017 to 31 December 2018
12	Customs cooperation	В	by 31 December 2017	by 31 December 2018

## Legend

Α	Notified in Cat. A	Ар	Partially notified in A		
В	Notified in Cat. B	Вр	Partially notified in B	C»B	Shift from C to B
С	Notified in Cat. C	Ср	Partially notified in C	B»C	Shift from B to C
N	Not yet notified	Е	Extension of time requested		

## **Notifications and other documents**

Symbol	Date	Description
G/TFA/N/FJI/1/Add.1	2019-08-30	Category C notification - Addendum
G/TFA/N/FJI/2	2019-07-10	Notification Art. 22.3
G/TFA/N/FJI/1	2018-06-07	Category B notification
WT/PCTF/N/FJI/1	2017-01-23	Category A, B and C notification

# **Experience Sharing**

Digi	tal	izat	ion

Digitalization	Title
22 October 2024 - 24 October 2024	Digitalizing Trade Controls for Improved Waste Management and Recycling

#### Technical Assistance detailled information

#### 1.1 **Publication**



(i), (j)

1.1.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2019

**Definitive date of implementation** 31 December 2020

### Assistance required for implementation

Assistance required:

Legal/Policy - Technical expertise to develop user friendly publications. Technical expertise in translating information in other 2 Official languages.

#### Procedures

 Assistance is required to review the range of publications produced by border agencies and develop more formal procedures in order to publish trade- related information in easily accessible manner and to provide measures to ensure that relevant agency staffs are aware of the obligation.

### Human Resources/Training

- Training of all relevant border agency Officials to have better understanding of Fiji's international obligations, relevant domestic laws and roles and responsibilities of other border agencies to facilitate trade.
- The training will also include identification of type of information that the agencies need to publish.

#### **ICT**

- To develop user friendly websites where all relevant information could be found easily.
- Capacitate other border agencies with ICT systems.

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



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

1.2.3

31 December 2019

**Definitive date of implementation** 31 December 2020

### Assistance required for implementation

Indicative date of implementation

#### Assistance required:

### Legal/Policy

• Require assistance to develop relevant legislations and policies in order to have information available through the internet.

#### Procedures

• To develop user friendly import and export checklist, guidelines on export and import fees and charges.

#### Human Resources/Training

• Training of IT Staff to design, develop and maintain websites.

### ICT

- Some agencies lack sufficient and competent technical staff required to maintain the relevant websites. There is a need in agencies for technical experts to incorporate and maintain the content on an existing internet site (or sites), and ultimately to design, develop and maintain a new website.
- Assistance required to develop one stop shop online information centre for import, export and transit for all agencies.
- Assistance required to develop multi-language provision of information on government websites, including official languages.
- Infrastructure/Equipment assistance required to assist border agencies with relevant equipment and software programs. Also require necessary website content management information technology typically used for rapid amendment to websites that allows communication of changes to all interested parties.

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

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3.1	Indicative date of implementation
3.2 (a), (b)	31 December 2019
3.3	01 B000111801 2010
3.4	
3.5	
3.6 (a), (b), (c)	A
3.7	Assistance required for implementation
3.8	
3.9 (a) (i), (ii), (i), (ii), (iii)	, (iv), (c), (d) Assistance required:

- Legal/Policy Fiji Revenue and Customs Authority (FRCA) needs technical assistance to develop relevant laws and policies in order to undertake advance ruling.
- Procedures assistance to develop relevant procedures in order to implement and undertake advance rulings effectively.
- Human Resources/Training training and creating awareness of FRCA Officials on the importance of advance rulings and how it will be implemented.
- ICT Require technical assistance to integrate advance rulings into automated customs systems
- Infrastructure/Equipment to support the classification ruling process ideally, assistance is required in terms of having better laboratories to test for classification of products.

**Definitive date of implementation** 

31 December 2020

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## 4 Procedures for appeal or review



4.1 (a), (b)

4.2

4.3 4.4 (a), (b), paragraph

4.5

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## Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2019

**Definitive date of implementation** 

31 December 2021

### Assistance required for implementation

Assistance required:

- Legal/Policy technical assistance to relevant agencies to develop policies and laws in order to put in place effective procedure for appeals and review.
- Procedures require assistance to develop directives on appeals which is an information strategy to ensure the business community is fully aware of the appeals system.
- Also requires assistance to bring the appeal and review mechanisms/ procedures within other border agencies.
- Human Resources/Training technical assistance to develop capacity in relevant agencies to have a greater understanding of procedures for review and appeal.
- Develop publications to create awareness within the private sector of this particular provision.

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

5.3.1 5.3.2 5.3.3

# Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2021

## Definitive date of implementation

31 December 2023

## Assistance required for implementation

Assistance required:

- Legal/ Policy develop relevant laws and policies for agencies such as FRCA and Biosecurity Authority of Fiji (BAF) to ensure traders have access to second testing.
- Human Resources/Training capacity building for relevant border agencies, laboratory technicians and academic institutions on secondary testing.
- Institutions technical assistance and capacity building is needed for academic institutions, public and private laboratories to provide second testing.
- Infrastructure/Equipment establishment of accredited laboratory/laboratories to undertake second testing.

Tags: Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training

## 7.4 Risk management



7.4.1 7.4.2 7.4.3 7.4.4 Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2019

**Definitive date of implementation** 31 December 2021

### Assistance required for implementation

#### Assistance required:

- Legal/Policy Technical assistance required to develop a mechanism to ensure enhanced coordination and collaboration between border agencies on risk identification and application of risk management.
- Procedures technical assistance to develop necessary procedures that ensures effective implementation of risk management system.
- Human Resources/Training technical assistance to develop capacity in relevant border agencies to have a full understanding and application of risk management system.
- ICT assistance required to acquire as well as enhance technological capabilities necessary to implement a proper risk management process.
- Infrastructure/Equipment assistance to have relevant technology such as x-ray machines, scanners, laboratory testing facilities in order to implement a proper risk management system.

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



7.6.1 7.6.2 Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2019

**Definitive date of implementation** 31 December 2019

## Assistance required for implementation

Assistance Required:

- Procedures Assistance need to put in place systems to meet TFA requirements to be able to regularly measure and publish average release times.
- Human Resources/Training assistance to build capacity within relevant border agency officials to conduct TRS.
- ICT/Equipment require assistance to develop and implement automated system to eliminate inaccuracies in the measurement of time taken for processes.

Tags: Information and communication technologies (ICT), Infrastructure and equipment, Institutional procedures, 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 2019

**Definitive date of implementation** 31 December 2021

## Assistance required for implementation

Assistance Required:

- Legal/Policy assistance required to develop a more open accredited client scheme (which is non-discriminatory e.g. Gold card Scheme) to comply with customs and other related laws and regulations.
- Procedures assistance to develop proper procedures with transparent criteria to be applied to assess authorised operators that meet specified criteria in a trusted trade program e.g. Gold card Scheme.
- Human Resources/Training capacity building for all border agencies such FRCA and BAF is needed to ensure full compliance with this measure.

Tags: Legislative and regulatory framework, Institutional procedures, Human resources and training



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

## Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2019

Definitive date of implementation

31 December 2019

### Assistance required for implementation

Assistance Required:

- Legal/Policy technical assistance to review relevant laws in order to streamline import and export permits and other necessary requirements. Assistance is needed to develop a government-wide strategy to replace all documentation with electronic processing especially in other border related agencies.
- Procedures Assistance needed to streamline procedures across border agencies to avoid duplication of both procedures and documentation in order to facilitate trade.
- Institutions technical assistance needed to promote border coordination as well as assist other agencies to transition to electronic documents.
- Human Resources/Training capacity building for relevant border agency Officials to ensure enhanced border coordination.
- ICT Assistance needed to capacitate other agencies with ICT tools and enablers in order to meet international standards for computerised system as well as expedite clearance.

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

#### 10.4 Single window



10.4.1 10.4.2 10.4.3 10.4.4

## Indicative date of implementation

31 December 2021

## **Definitive date of implementation**

31 December 2025

### Assistance required for implementation

Assistance Required:

• Legal/Policy - technical assistance to review relevant laws in order to develop comprehensive nation single window.

Technical assistance needed leading to setting a clear time scale of Single Window role out and implementation.

- Procedures development of efficient procedures and checklist in order to implement national single window effectively.
- Institutions technical assistance to build capacity in relevant border agencies in order to implement national single window.
- Human Resources/Training capacity building needed for relevant border agency Officials and business community to be sensitised, equipped and trained in order to implement national single window.
- ICT –assistance to ensure reasonable to high level access to IT equipment's especially for other border agencies.
- Infrastructure/Equipment assistance required in setting up and installing appropriate IT equipment's and systems in some agencies and at ports of entry.

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

### Legend



Notified in Cat. C

Partially notified in C

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Extension of time requested

Donor arrangement notified Donor arrangement not yet notified

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