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Jamaica

Ratified Agreement: Yes

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Implementation Notifications (Categories A, B, C)			Due date	Status
Notified all category ABC designations			by 22 February 2017	Yes
A - 14.7%	B - 29.4%	C - 55.9%	**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 31 March 2020	Yes
Notified Art. 10.4.3	Category C	Definitive implementation date 31 March 2023	Yes
Notified Art. 10.6.2	Category A	Definitive implementation date 22 February 2017	Yes
Notified Art. 12.2	Category C	Definitive implementation date 22 February 2022	Yes

Information on Assistance and Capacity Building

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	B C»B	by 22 February 2022	by 22 February 2022
1.2	Information available through internet	C	by 22 February 2020	by 01 January 2022
1.3	Enquiry points	B C»B	by 22 February 2020	by 31 December 2020
1.4	Notification	B	by 22 February 2018	by 31 March 2020
2.1	Comments and information before entry into force	B	by 22 February 2020	by 31 March 2020
2.2	Consultations	A		by 22 February 2017
3	Advance rulings	C	by 22 February 2022	by 31 March 2022
4	Procedures for appeal or review	C	by 22 February 2022	by 31 March 2022
5.1	Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections	C	by 22 February 2020	by 01 January 2022
5.2	Detention	A		by 22 February 2017
5.3	Test procedures	C	by 22 February 2020	by 31 March 2025
6.1	General disciplines on fees and charges	C	by 22 February 2022	by 01 January 2023
6.2	Specific disciplines on fees and charges	B C»B	by 22 February 2022	by 01 January 2023
6.3	Penalty Disciplines	B C»B	by 22 February 2019	by 31 March 2021

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
7.1	Pre-arrival processing	B C»B	by 22 February 2020	by 22 February 2020
7.2	Electronic payment	C	by 22 February 2020	by 31 March 2023
7.3	Separation of release	B C»B	by 22 February 2020	by 22 February 2020
7.4	Risk management	C	by 22 February 2020	by 01 January 2024
7.5	Post-clearance audit	B C»B	by 22 February 2020	by 22 February 2020
7.6	Average release times	C B»C E	by 22 February 2018	by 31 March 2022
7.7	Authorized operators	C B»C E	by 22 February 2020	by 31 March 2023
7.8	Expedited shipments	B	by 22 February 2020	by 31 March 2020
7.9	Perishable goods	A		by 22 February 2017
8	Border Agency Cooperation	C	by 22 February 2020	by 31 March 2023
9	Movement of goods	B C»B	by 22 February 2020	by 22 February 2020
10.1	Formalities	B	by 22 February 2019	by 30 June 2020
10.2	Acceptance of copies	B	by 22 February 2020	by 31 December 2024
10.3	Use of international standards	C	by 22 February 2020	by 22 February 2023

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
10.4	Single window	C	by 28 February 2020	by 31 March 2023
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	B	by 22 February 2019	by 31 March 2022
10.8	Rejected Goods	A		by 22 February 2017
10.9	Temporary admission of goods and inward and outward processing	C B»C E	by 22 February 2020	by 31 March 2023
11	Transit	A		by 22 February 2017
12	Customs cooperation	C	by 22 February 2022	by 22 February 2022

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/N/JAM/3/Rev.1	2026-09-30	Articles 1.4, 10.4.3, 10.6.2, 12.2.2 - Revision

Symbol	Date	Description
G/TFA/N/JAM/3	2023-01-26	Articles 1.4, 10.4.3, 10.6.2, 12.2.2
G/TFA/N/JAM/2/Rev.1	2020-04-02	Article 22.3 - Revision
G/TFA/N/JAM/2	2020-02-13	Article 22.3
G/TFA/N/JAM/1/Add.2	2019-08-30	Categories A, B and C notification - Addendum 2
G/TFA/N/JAM/1/Add.1	2018-08-16	Categories A, B and C notification - Addendum
G/TFA/N/JAM/1	2017-10-12	Categories A, B and C notification
WT/PCTF/N/JAM/1	2015-03-03	Category A notification

Experience Sharing

1.1 - Publication

Date	Title
15 October 2019 - 16 October 2019	Jamaica's Trade Information Portal Jamaica's Trade Facilitation Programme (Ms. Daenia Ashpole)

Implementation experience

Date	Title
15 October 2019 - 16 October 2019	CARICOM's implementation experience (Jamaica on behalf of CARICOM)

10.4 - Single window

Date	Title
22 October 2024 - 24 October 2024	Implementation of Single Window in Jamaica UNCTAD's Roadmap for Building a Trade Single Window

Technical Assistance detailled information

1.2 Information available through internet

C

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

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2020

Definitive date of implementation
1 January 2022

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Develop a website and for content management;
ii. Train personnel (including technical training in ICT);
iii. Acquire resources for infrastructure upgrade.

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

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 2022

Definitive date of implementation
31 March 2022

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Train personnel and implement and a "Train the trainer" program;
ii. Provide ICT infrastructure;
iii. Develop public education campaigns for stakeholder engagement.

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

C

4.1 (a), (b)
4.2
4.3
4.4 (a), (b), paragraph
4.5
4.6

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2022

Definitive date of implementation
31 March 2022

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Train personnel;
ii. Build a review management system.

Tags: *Institutional procedures, Human resources and training*

5.1 Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections

C

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

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2020

Definitive date of implementation
1 January 2022

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Fund the establishment of a national Food Safety Council (FSC) Secretariat;
ii. Establish a single window.

Tags: *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Institutional procedures*

C

5.3.1
5.3.2
5.3.3

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2020

Definitive date of implementation
31 March 2025

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Train personnel;
ii. Fund the acquisition of equipment.

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

C

6.1.1
6.1.2
6.1.3
6.1.4

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2022

Definitive date of implementation
1 January 2023

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Develop competence in using methodologies to quantify costs in order to justify fees and charges;
ii. Streamline structures of payments;
iii. Develop comprehensive training programme to periodically assess existing and new fees and charges.

Tags: *Institutional procedures, Human resources and training*

C

7.2

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2020

Definitive date of implementation
31 March 2023

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Provide ICT infrastructure (hardware and software), including website development and agency linkages;
ii. Train personnel.

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

C

7.4.1
7.4.2
7.4.3
7.4.4

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2020

Definitive date of implementation
1 January 2024

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Obtain a comprehensive automated risk management system;
ii. Source international training to develop a "Train the trainer" program;
iii. Train personnel.

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

7.6 Average release times

C

7.6.1
7.6.2

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2018

Definitive date of implementation
31 March 2022

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and capacity Building (TACB) support is required to:
i. Develop methodology to determine average release times in Border Agencies;
ii. Train officials in the application of the methodology.

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

Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.

C

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 2020

Definitive date of implementation
31 March 2023

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) support is required to assist the Jamaica Customs Agency (JCA) in building out its AEO Programme to include negotiating and implementing mutual recognition agreements (MRAs) with relevant partners. Some areas would include:
i. The MRA process;
ii. The MRA Negotiation Process;
iii. MRA Implementation;
iv. MRA Maintenance.

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

Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.

C

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

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2020

Definitive date of implementation
31 March 2023

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:
i. Fund feasibility study for coordination of border agencies;
ii. Create risk management framework aligned with WTO/WCO best practices through consultants and training;
iii. Fund inter-agency training;
iv. Provide technical and fiscal assistance to develop entry tracking system.

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

C

10.3.1
10.3.2

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2020

Definitive date of implementation
22 February 2023

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Fund participating in overseas training;
ii. Organize training in change management tools for senior managers;
iii. Assess the testing, certification, inspection and accreditation capabilities of food safety regulatory agencies and provide assistance for upgrading facilities and achieving compliance with relevant standards;
iv. Develop and implement a training and certification program to assist exporters to meet relevant standards.

Tags: *Legislative and regulatory framework, Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, Human resources and training*

C

10.4.1
10.4.2
10.4.3
10.4.4

Indicative date of implementation
28 February 2020

Definitive date of implementation
31 March 2023

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Procedure consultant to coordinate the development of the policy and legal framework for the single window;
ii. Procure consultant to coordinate the development of the policy and legal framework for streamlined procedures;
iii. Fund consultant to review procedures;
iv. Fund needs assessment for human resources training;
v. Develop curriculum for training programme on Harmonized System (HS) of Tariff Nomenclature and single window operations;
vi. Procure hardware and software for single window kiosks;
vii. Procure storage area network for database;
viii. Procure ICT cabling, fit-out and cabinets.

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

C

10.9.1
10.9.2 (a), (b), (c)

Indicative date of implementation
22 February 2020

Definitive date of implementation
31 March 2023

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) is required for the following:
i. IT system gap analysis and possible modifications/add-ons;
ii. Consultancy to help develop appropriate procedures for the development, implementation and maintenance of inward and outward processing;
iii. Study tour and/or expert assistance in operationalizing inward and outward processing.

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

Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.

C

	Indicative date of implementation	Definitive date of implementation
12.1.1 **12.1.2** **12.2.1** **12.2.2** **12.3** **12.4.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)** **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)** **12.11.2** **12.12.1** **12.12.2**	22 February 2022	22 February 2022

Assistance required for implementation

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) supported is required to:

i. Build capacity in external stakeholders;
ii. Undertake public education activities;
iii. Develop a compliance mechanism, inclusive of related Policy and Plan.

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

Legend

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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