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TFAD Trade Facilitation Agreement Database

Tunisia

Ratified Agreement: Yes

Ratification Date: 2020-07-17

Implementation Notifications (Categories A, B, C)			Due date	Status
Notified all category ABC designations			by 22 February 2017	Yes
A - 59.7%	B - 0.0%	C - 40.3%	**Not yet notified** - 0.0%	
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	Yes
Notified progress in the provision of technical assistance support			by 22 August 2019	Yes
Transparency notifications				
Notified Art. 1.4	Category A	Definitive implementation date 22 February 2017		Yes
Notified Art. 10.4.3	Category C	Definitive implementation date 31 December 2030		No
Notified Art. 10.6.2	Category A	Definitive implementation date 22 February 2017		Yes
Notified Art. 12.2	Category A	Definitive implementation date 22 February 2017		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	A		by 22 February 2017
1.2	Information available through internet	A		by 22 February 2017
1.3	Enquiry points	A		by 22 February 2017
1.4	Notification	A		by 22 February 2017
2.1	Comments and information before entry into force	A		by 22 February 2017
2.2	Consultations	C	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2030
3	Advance rulings	C	by 31 December 2020	by 31 December 2030
4	Procedures for appeal or review	A		by 22 February 2017
5.1	Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
5.2	Detention	A		by 22 February 2017
5.3	Test procedures	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
6.1	General disciplines on fees and charges	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
6.2	Specific disciplines on fees and charges	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
6.3	Penalty Disciplines	A		by 22 February 2017

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
7.1	Pre-arrival processing	A		by 22 February 2017
7.2	Electronic payment	C	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2030
7.3	Separation of release	A		by 22 February 2017
7.4	Risk management	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
7.5	Post-clearance audit	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
7.6	Average release times	C	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2030
7.7	Authorized operators	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
7.8	Expedited shipments	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
7.9	Perishable goods	C	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2030
8	Border Agency Cooperation	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
9	Movement of goods	A		by 22 February 2017
10.1	Formalities	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
10.2	Acceptance of copies	A		by 22 February 2017
10.3	Use of international standards	C	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2030

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
10.4	Single window	C	by 31 December 2030	by 31 December 2030
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	Ap Cp	from 22 February 2017 to 31 December 2030	from 22 February 2017 to 31 December 2030
12	Customs cooperation	A		by 22 February 2017

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/TUN/5	2025-02-26	Donor arrangements and progress in the provision of technical assistance

Symbol	Date	Description
G/TFA/N/TUN/4	2023-08-18	Article 22.3
G/TFA/N/TUN/1/Add.1	2023-08-18	Category C notification
G/TFA/W/92	2023-07-05	The role of technology transfer in building resilience: Trade Facilitation
G/TFA/N/TUN/3	2023-03-16	Articles 1.4 and 12.2.2
G/TFA/N/TUN/2	2019-12-17	Article 10.6.2
G/TFA/N/TUN/1	2019-09-16	Category C notification
WT/PCTF/N/TUN/1	2014-09-04	Category A notification

Experience Sharing

Digitalization

Date	Title
15 June 2023 - 16 June 2023	Streamlining agri-food export control cerfication

3 - Advance rulings

Date	Title
12 March 2025 - 13 March 2025	Implementation of an Advanced Rulings Mechanism for Tariff Classification and Origin

Technical Assistance detailled information

2.2 Consultations

C

2.2

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2025

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

Tags: *Legislative and regulatory framework, Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, 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
31 December 2020

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

Donor Agencies: Global Alliance for Trade Facilitation, German International Development Agency

Progress reported

Progrès concernant la fourniture d'une assistance technique et d'un soutien pour le renforcement des capacités :
La Direction Générale des Douanes en Tunisie a récemment mis en place un mécanisme de décisions anticipées (renseignements contraignants) en matière de classement tarifaire et d'origine des marchandises.

Cette initiative s'inscrit dans le cadre des efforts de la Tunisie pour dématérialiser ses procédures douanières liées à l'importation, à l'exportation et au transit dans le but de faciliter les échanges commerciaux et assurer leur conformité aux normes internationales.

Ce projet a été initié grâce au soutien précieux de l'Alliance Mondiale pour la Facilitation des Échanges (GAFT) et de l'Agence Allemande de Coopération au Développement (GIZ Il vise à offrir aux opérateurs économiques une plus grande prévisibilité en matière de réglementation douanière.

Depuis le lancement du projet, plusieurs étapes ont été franchies:
• Mise en place d'une équipe projet multidisciplinaire.
• Développement d'une plateforme numérique pour le traitement et l'octroi des renseignements contraignants en matière de classement tarifaire et d'origine, opérationnelle depuis janvier 2025. Cette plateforme est accessible à l'adresse suivante: https://www.rc.douane.gov.tn
• Publication du décret n° 2024-152 du 13 mars 2024, fixant les conditions et modalités d'application des renseignements contraignants en matière de classement tarifaire et d'origine.
• Sensibilisation des parties prenantes internes et externes sur les objectifs du projet.
• Identification des besoins spécifiques en infrastructure et en formation.
Afin d'optimiser l'impact de ce mécanisme et d'atteindre pleinement les objectifs de l'Accord sur la Facilitation des Échanges, une assistance technique est recommandée pour assurer l'interopérabilité entre cette plateforme et celle du guichet unique national.

Il serait aussi bénéfique de faciliter la reconnaissance mutuelle des décisions anticipées entre les pays appliquant déjà ces mécanismes. Cela permettrait d'améliorer la fluidité des échanges commerciaux, de réduire les risques de divergences d'interprétation et d'optimiser les procédures douanières, tout en renforçant la coopération internationale.

5.1 Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections

C

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

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

5.3.1
5.3.2
5.3.3

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

6.1.1
6.1.2
6.1.3
6.1.4

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

6.2 (i), (ii)

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

Tags: *Human resources and training*

C

7.2

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2025

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

7.4.1
7.4.2
7.4.3
7.4.4

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

7.5.1
7.5.2
7.5.3
7.5.4

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

7.6.1
7.6.2

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2025

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

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
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

7.8.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h)
7.8.2 (a), (b), (c), (d)
7.8.3

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

7.9.1 (a), (b)
7.9.2
7.9.3
7.9.4

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2025

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

Tags: *Infrastructure and equipment*

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

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

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

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

C

10.3.1
10.3.2

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2025

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

Tags: *Human resources and training*

C

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

Assistance required for implementation

To be determined

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

Cp

11.5

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2030

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2030

Assistance required for implementation

Implementation of cross-border infrastructure to provide separate lanes and equipment required for transit.

Tags: *Infrastructure and equipment*

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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