



# 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>
<b>A</b> - 5.5%	<b>B</b> - 27.7%	<b>C</b> - 66.8%	<b>Not yet notified</b> - 0.0%		
Notified indicative dates in <b>Category B</b>				by 22 February 2018	<b>Yes</b>
Notified definitive dates in <b>Category B</b>				by 22 February 2020	<b>Yes</b>
Notified indicative dates in <b>Category C</b>				by 22 February 2021	<b>Yes</b>
Notified definitive dates in <b>Category C</b>				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	Partial
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	Yes

Information on Assistance and Capacity Building

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 E	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 E	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2025

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
7.5	Post-clearance audit	C E	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 E	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/N/ZMB/3	2026-01-19	Articles 1.4 and 12.2.2
G/TFA/W/125	2026-01-19	Provision on the national transit coordinator - Communication from Zambia
G/TFA/N/ZMB/1/Add.3	2025-11-25	Extension of implementation dates
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/2	2021-10-08	Article 22.3
G/TFA/N/ZMB/1/Add.1	2021-10-05	Extension of implementation dates
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

**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

**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

**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

**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

**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*

6.1.1  
6.1.2  
6.1.3  
6.1.4

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2021

**Definitive date of implementation**  
31 December 2025

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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*

6.3.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
6.3.2	31 December 2019	31 December 2024
6.3.3		
6.3.4 (a), (b)		
6.3.5		
6.3.6		
6.3.7		
	<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legislative review</li><li>• Stakeholder engagement</li></ul>	
	<b>Tags:</b> <i>Legislative and regulatory framework, Awareness-raising</i>	

7.1.1  
7.1.2

Indicative date of implementation	Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2022	31 December 2024

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*

7.2

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2025**Definitive date of implementation**  
31 December 2025**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	Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2025	31 December 2025

**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	Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2020	30 June 2023

**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	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
7.7.2 (a) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (i), (ii)	31 December 2024	31 December 2024
7.7.3 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g)		
7.7.4		
7.7.5		
7.7.6	<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Support for the introduction of the multi-agency framework for the Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) concept</li><li>• Stakeholder education on benefits of being recognised as Authorized Economic Operator by any agency</li></ul>	
	<b>Tags:</b> <i>Human resources and training, Awareness-raising</i>	

7.8.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h)	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
7.8.2 (a), (b), (c), (d)	31 December 2021	31 December 2025
7.8.3		

**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

**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

**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

**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	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b> 31 December 2025	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b> 31 December 2025
<hr/> <b>Assistance required for implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation of electronic exchange of data with other Customs administrations</li> <li>• Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System (ECTS) within Zambia</li> <li>• Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System along corridors</li> <li>• Implementation of Regional Transit Guarantee Scheme</li> <li>• Stakeholder education on transit procedures and controls</li> </ul> <b>Tags:</b> <i>Information and communication technologies (ICT), Awareness-raising</i> <hr/> Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.		
11.7	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b> 31 December 2030	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b> 31 December 2030
11.8	<hr/> <b>Assistance required for implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation of electronic exchange of data with other Customs administration</li> <li>• Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System (ECTS) within Zambia</li> <li>• Implementation of ECTS along corridors</li> <li>• Implementation of Regional Transit Guarantee Scheme</li> <li>• Stakeholder education on transit procedures and controls</li> </ul> <b>Tags:</b> <i>Information and communication technologies (ICT), Awareness-raising</i>	
11.9		
11.10		
11.11		
11.12		
11.13		
11.14		
11.15		
11.16 (a), (b), (c)		
11.17		

	Indicative date of implementation	Definitive date of implementation
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)		
12.4.2	<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>	
12.5.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)		
12.5.2	• Support for the implementation of OSBPs at the following posts: Nakonde/Tunduma (with Tanzania); Kasumbalesa (with DRC) and Chanida (with Mozambique)	
12.5.3	• Stakeholder education on implemented reforms	
12.6.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)		
12.6.2		
12.7.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)		
12.7.2	<b>Tags:</b> <i>Human resources and training, Awareness-raising</i>	
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		

**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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