WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

TFAD Trade Facilitation Agreement Database

Zimbabwe

Ratified Agreement: Yes

Ratification Date: 2018-10-17

Implementation Notifications (Categories A, B, C)			Due date	Status
Notified all category ABC designations			by 22 February 2017	Yes
A - 34.9%	B - 50.0%	C - 15.1%	**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 December 2020	Yes
Notified Art. 10.4.3	Category C	Definitive implementation date 31 December 2029	Yes
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	B	by 31 December 2020	by 31 December 2022
1.2	Information available through internet	C	by 31 December 2023	by 31 December 2025
1.3	Enquiry points	C	by 31 December 2023	by 31 December 2025
1.4	Notification	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2020
2.1	Comments and information before entry into force	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2021
2.2	Consultations	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2021
3	Advance rulings	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2020
4	Procedures for appeal or review	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2020
5.1	Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2021
5.2	Detention	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2020
5.3	Test procedures	C	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2026
6.1	General disciplines on fees and charges	A		by 22 February 2017
6.2	Specific disciplines on fees and charges	A		by 22 February 2017
6.3	Penalty Disciplines	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2020

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
7.1	Pre-arrival processing	B	by 31 December 2020	by 31 December 2021
7.2	Electronic payment	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2021
7.3	Separation of release	A		by 22 February 2017
7.4	Risk management	C	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2023
7.5	Post-clearance audit	C	by 31 December 2023	by 31 December 2027
7.6	Average release times	C	by 31 December 2023	by 31 December 2027
7.7	Authorized operators	B	by 30 April 2020	by 30 April 2022
7.8	Expedited shipments	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2022
7.9	Perishable goods	C	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2028
8	Border Agency Cooperation	Ap Cp	from 22 February 2017 to 31 December 2023	from 22 February 2017 to 31 December 2026
9	Movement of goods	A		by 22 February 2017
10.1	Formalities	B	by 30 April 2020	by 30 April 2021
10.2	Acceptance of copies	B	by 31 August 2020	by 31 August 2022
10.3	Use of international standards	A		by 22 February 2017

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
10.4	Single window	C	by 31 December 2023	by 31 December 2029
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	B	by 31 December 2019	by 31 December 2020
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/ZWE/2/Rev.1	2023-09-22	Article 22.3 - Revision

Symbol	Date	Description
G/TFA/N/ZWE/3	2023-09-22	Articles 1.4, 10.4.3, 10.6.2, 11.17, 12.2.2
G/TFA/W/92	2023-07-05	The role of technology transfer in building resilience: Trade Facilitation
G/TFA/N/ZWE/2	2021-06-03	Article 22.3
G/TFA/N/ZWE/1	2019-09-16	Categories B and C notification
WT/PCTF/N/ZWE/1	2016-10-27	Category A notification

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
31 December 2023

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2025

Assistance required for implementation

• Training of staff to prepare and keep up to date practical guides for imports; exports and transit procedures
• Technical assistance in the modernization of the National Trade Portal and portals for the different agencies
• Training of staff in continuously updating and maintaining websites for the different agencies
• Financial assistance in the modernization of the National Trade Portal and portals for the different agencies

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

C

1.3.1
1.3.2
1.3.3
1.3.4

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2023

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2025

Assistance required for implementation

• Technical assistance in drafting the standard operating procedures for the enquiry points and their coordination
• Training for all focal persons on undertaking enquiry point functions
• Investment in the necessary hardware and software infrastructure

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

C

5.3.1
5.3.2
5.3.3

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2025

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2026

Assistance required for implementation

• Technical assistance to review legislative framework & procedure for referral of second tests
• Formulate implementation work plan
• Financial and technical assistance in setting up a customs laboratory at defined & specified border posts
• Human resource capacity building for staff manning the customs laboratory
• Laboratory facilities

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

C

7.4.1
7.4.2
7.4.3
7.4.4

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2021

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2023

Assistance required for implementation

• Capacity Building on Risk Management and establishment of the risk management framework and strategy in all the agencies.
• Technical assistance in enhancing the operation of the existing risk management system and extending it to other organisations in terms of:
? Legislation;
? Standard operating procedures;
? Gap analysis;
? Information/intelligent gathering;
? Data analysis;
? Risk profiling;
? Coordinated approach to Risk Management amongst all Government Agencies that govern import, export and transit of goods.
• Financial assistance to procure:
? Risk Management System and equipment;
? Analytical tools for data analysis;
? Funds for benchmarking exercise;
? Funds for the offences module.

Tags: *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Diagnostic and Needs Assessment, Institutional procedures*

C

7.5.1
7.5.2
7.5.3
7.5.4

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2023

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2027

Assistance required for implementation

• Training on audit skills and techniques
• Training on case selection for post clearance audit
• Training on accounting and other computer systems used in the importation and exportation of goods
• Financial assistance to procure computers

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

C

7.6.1
7.6.2

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2023

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2027

Assistance required for implementation

• Assistance in the formulation of the TRS legislation
• Capacity building to enable officers to conduct and evaluate the TRS
• Comprehensive training on the TRS techniques and tools
• Technical assistance in the publication of the results of the TRS
• Funding and assistance to undertake the initial TRS

Tags: *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, 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 2028

Assistance required for implementation

• Adequate storage and physical examination facilities
• Assistance in developing the Standards Operating Procedures (SOPs)
• Legislation, procedure and guideline formulation (involving all relevant stakeholders)
• Having adequate storage & incineration facilities
• Human resource capacity building on proposed legislative & procedural changes
• Cold rooms at state-warehouses for proper storage of perishables
• Destruction facilities e.g. incinerators

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

Cp

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

Indicative date of implementation
31 December 2023

Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2026

Assistance required for implementation

• Assistance to develop Legal framework to coordinate border agencies
• Capacity building on coordinated border management principles and border agency cooperation
• Human resources capacity building on coordinated border management

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

10.4 Single window

C

10.4.1 **10.4.2** **10.4.3** **10.4.4**	**Indicative date of implementation** 31 December 2023	**Definitive date of implementation** 31 December 2029

Assistance required for implementation

- Capacity Building on the Single Window Concept
- Setting up of the legal framework on Single Window
- Development of an implementation program & Gantt Chart
- Capacity Building for ICT personnel in the configuration and maintenance of the Single Window
- Capacity building for all agencies using Single Window
- Financial assistance in procuring infrastructure and equipment for implementing Single Window
- Review of clearance process to facilitate the implementation of the Single Window
- Server to host the Single Window platform

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

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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