

**GUIDELINES OF IMPORTS FOR THE TRADE**



**Egyptian Food Safety Authority  
(NFSA)**



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**1. PRODUCT CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT (PCA) MANDATE**

PCA MANDATED BY	Egyptian Food Safety Authority (NFSA)
THE COUNTRY IS A MEMBER OF THE WTO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
APPLICABLE REGULATION(S)	Decree Number 2 of the year 2020
SELECTION OF PCA COMPANIES	Importer's or Exporter's choice (SGS-TUV NORD-COTECNA-INTERTEK-CIS-Viglienzone Adriatica-Control Union-Baltic Control-TUV Rhineland)

REGULATED PRODUCTS	SN	HS Code	Item
	1	From 04.02 – 04.03 – 04.04 – 04.05 – 04.06	Milk and dairy products (other than baby milks) ready for retail sales in packages for direct consumption, not exceeding 2 kg
	2	From Chapter 08	Fruits (preserved and dried) ready for retail sales in packages for direct consumption, not exceeding 2 kg
	3	From Chapter 15	Oils and fats ready for retail sales in packages, not exceeding 2 kg.
	4	17.04	Sugar confectioneries
	5	From 18.06	Chocolate and Other food preparations containing cocoa for retail sales in packages for direct consumption, not

		exceeding 2 kg.	
	6	From 20.09	Fruit juices ready for retail sales in packages not exceeding 10 kg
	7	22.01 – 22.02	Waters, including natural or artificial mineral waters and aerated waters
	8	1001	Wheat
	9	From 82.11.10 – 82.11.91 – 82.15 – 39.24 -44.19 – 69.11 – 69.12 - 73.23 - 74.18.10 – 76.15.10	Materials in contact with foodstuffs
	10	1006	Rice
	11	1704	Sugar
	12	Chapter 15	Oils
	13	N/A	Semi-finished products for food industries / any food products
SCOPE OF PROGRAMME	Imported regulated products accompanied by a Certificate of Inspection issued by a third-party inspecting company approved by NFSA, evidencing that the products comply with the Egyptian Standards will expedite the customs clearance process. Consignments arriving without a Certificate of Inspection would require the sampling, testing and certification by NFSA at destination before clearance of the goods.		
IMPLEMENTATION DATE	01 December 2020		
CONTRACT VALIDATION	3 years (renewable)		

## 2. INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS / RESTRICTION

SEALING OF FCL CONTAINERS REQUIRED

YES  NO

## 3. ASSESSMENT METHODS

### • Inspection per consignment”

Every consignment is to be physically inspected at origin by one of the approved third-party inspection company, before the shipment of the goods. Samples of the products are to be taken and analyzed in an ISO 17025 accredited laboratory to demonstrate compliance with the Egyptian Standards. After approval of testing/analysis, a loading supervision inspection to be performed followed by container sealing.

A Certificate of Inspection will be issued per consignment.

## 4. VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

TESTING	Test reports should be from laboratories accredited to ISO 17025.
DOCUMENTS	<p>SGS offers the following interventions for NFSA food program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical evaluation of the documents</li> <li>• Physical inspection and sampling</li> <li>• Testing and analysis in accredited laboratories (per consignment)</li> <li>• Checking conformity with regulations and overall assessment of conformity to the required standards</li> <li>• Label review based on NFSA requirements</li> <li>• Container loading supervision followed by container sealing</li> <li>• Certificate issuance</li> <li>• Transport document (mandatory)</li> <li>• Col issuance date cannot exceed physical inspection date on more than 45 days, hence clients need to ensure that required documents to issue Col are delivered to service providers before 45 days of inspection date</li> </ul>
STANDARDS	<p>The applicable standards under this program are as below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Mandatory Egyptian Standards</li> <li>2. Codex Standards</li> </ol>

## 5. INSPECTION FEES

The fees for inspection, analysis, and/or certification are borne by seller or producer and are to be quoted at the time of nomination. **The company will collect the following fees according to the services provided:**

Certification fees:

<b>FOB Value in USD</b>	<b>Fee in USD</b>
Up to USD 60,000	600
From USD 60,001 to 100,000	800
From USD 100,001 to 200,000	1,500
From USD 200,001 to 500,000	2,500
From 500,001 and above	3,500

*The certification fee does not include:*

- Sampling and laboratory testing
- Licensing and process auditing procedures.
- Industrial technical inspection.
- Loading supervision and container sealing

The Service provider directly issues an invoice for each individual case.

**Miscellaneous:**

The certification fees are calculated based on the final commercial invoice issued by the exporter. However, if the company discloses any attempt to reduce the bill, it will notify the National Food Safety Authority immediately. The company is legally entitled to demand payment of additional fees after submitting all evidence of reducing the value of the invoice.

The company is legally entitled to collect its fees even if the exporter or importer, after evaluating the goods, does not provide the information or documents required to issue the final conformity certificate, or even if the goods are not shipped.

## 6. CONTACT LIST FOR ASSESSMENT

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