

GAMBIA REGULATIONS



- Bills Of Lading
- Prohibited Imports
- Restricted Imports

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Waiver Control

- A waiver is not necessary. BSC / CTN is not required.

Pre-Shipment Inspection

- There is presently no PSI/DI required for shipments to Gambia

Bills Of Lading

- The Gambia Revenue Authority has issued a memo concerning the language used on Bills of Lading. It reminds all parties that the description of cargo must be in English. Failure to comply with this regulation, any cost involved locally will be debited to respective POL. Copy appears as an Appendix.

Prohibited Imports

- Prohibited Drugs

Restricted Imports

- Radio Active Materials
- Live Animals (Permission To Be Sought).
- Poultry Products: The Trade ministry announced the lifting of an importation ban on chicken legs on 02/12/13 effective immediately. The Ministry however stated that imports of poultry products from sources where hormones or products of hormones are used in their production will not be accepted into the Gambian market. 'All imports of poultry products will, therefore, be **accompanied by an "SGS test certificate"** indicating that the product meets national food safety standards with no use of hormones.'
- Arms and Ammunition (Permission To Be Sought)

CMA CGM trained staff members are available to assist customers in all aspects of the documentary requirements of the trade to the Gambia. Please contact your local agency office for advice.



The information given has been given in good faith and believed to be correct at the time of writing. Please verify these facts with other relevant sources before using this as the basis of any action taken as we regret we cannot accept liability for any consequences due to inaccuracies in this information.



Gambia Revenue Authority

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To All Shipping Agencies

Description of Cargo Reported in other Languages other than English

It has been brought to the attention of this office that some shipping agencies occasionally submit bill of landing that have the description of imported cargo in other languages other than English, which cannot be interpreted or understood by staff of the customs and other relevant Agencies.

We wish to bring to the attention of all those concern that description of cargo in bills of lading should be strictly in accordance with Sec. 17 of the Customs regulation 2012 and should be clearly stated in the official language of the destination country, which is English in regards to all cargoes imported into the Gambia.

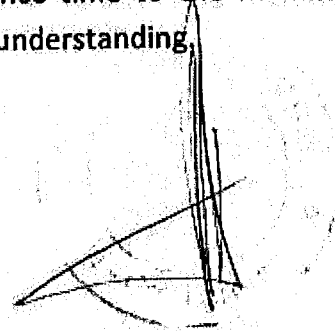
Shipping agencies that are affected should therefore inform their principals to comply with the above stated regulations in the spirit of trade facilitation and best customs practises. Equally bills of lading sent in languages other than English must be duly translated by the relevant shipping agency in English and submitted either as an attachment or as an additional text to the original bill of lading.

Your cooperation on this matter will highly reduce any unnecessary delay in the clearance time of your valued customers. The final objective is to put in place effective controls whilst minimizing clearance time to the minimum. We wish to thank you for your continuous support and understanding.

Yours faithfully



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