

# NIGER REGULATIONS



- Waiver Control - CTN/BSC (Cargo Tracking Note)
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- Restricted Imports



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## Waiver Control

### Type

A Cargo Tracking Note [CTN] / Bordereau de Suivi de Cargaison [BSC] must be obtained for all shipments to Niger at the port of departure/load [POL]. It is issued by representatives of the Conseil Nigerien des Utilisateurs des Transports [CNUT] at the port of load. This is compulsory for customs purposes.

### Agents

Niger has nominated 'Antaser Afrique' as its worldwide general agent.

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### Responsibilities & Cost

- The responsibility relating to the issuance of the CTN/BSC and all costs is with the shipper.
- The information required on the CTN/BSC is compulsory.
- The CTN/BSC number must be included on the manifest.
- Local representatives at the discharging ports will inspect each and every shipment on the presence of a corresponding CTN. Shipments without a CTN/BSC will result in delays and fines/seizures.

### Contacts

#### CNUT Headquarters

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

## Pre-Shipment Inspection

On December 29, 2010 Cotecna Inspection signed a new contract with the Government of the Republic of Niger for Pre Shipment Inspection. For their latest datasheet on Niger please view the end of this document.

### General Information

PSI requested by	Ministry of Economy and Finances
Regulations	Decree no. 96-021/PCSN/MF/ P of 12 1996 Arrete no. 184/MF/P/MCA/TT of 11 June 1996
Appointed PSI company	Cotecna  Cotecna has installed offices at the borders of Benin (Gaya), Burkina Faso (Torodi) and the border of Nigeria (Birnin Konni, Matameye and Magaria). Cotecna is also installed in Maradi and Zinder.

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Scope of PSI	Quality and quantity Export market price ( for foreign exchange purpose) Customs valuation ( Brussels Definition of value until 13 December 2001; as of 14 De 2001 ACV will apply) Customs classification Import eligibility (for information)
Minimum order value subject to PSI	XOF 3'000'000
Partial shipments	Subject to PSI if total order value is equal to or exceeds XOF 3'000'000

#### Listing Of Goods Exempted from PSI

- Imports with a total FOB value below XOF 3'000'000 (100XOF = 1FRF)
- The following goods are exempted from shipment inspection:
  - Precious stones and precious metals
  - Objects of art
  - Scrap metals
  - Explosives and pyrotechnic products
  - Arms and ammunitions
  - Live animals
  - Newspapers and periodicals
  - Personal effects and household items including one used vehicle as a personal belonging on the occasion of a change of domicile, duly confirmed by the authorities on the previous domicile
  - Personal gifts
  - Postal parcels
  - Commercial samples
  - Donations by foreign governments or international organizations to the State, public schools and libraries, religious missions, charity organizations and philanthropic foundations recognized to be of a public necessity by the Republic of Niger
  - Donations and supplies to the Diplomatic and Consular missions, or any affiliated organization of the United Nations, imported for their own needs
  - Perishable food products, transported at room temperature or chilled
  - Cinematographic films for public cinemas (35mm) exposed and processed
  - Freshly cut flowers
  - Petroleum products in liquid or gaseous with the exception of goods of sh code: 27.10.19.31.00, 27.10.19.32.00, 27.19.32.00 , 27.10.19.33.00, 27.10.19.39.00 ( lubricant and oil )
  - Goods imported for mining companies
  - Importations which are not paying import taxes must be declared with an II form

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#### Prohibited Imports

- Drugs/narcotics

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#### Restricted Imports

To be checked with Cotecna's Liaison office in Niamey

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# NIGER DATASHEET

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## 1. PRESHIPMENT INSPECTION (PSI) MANDATE

<b>IS THE COUNTRY A MEMBER OF THE WTO:</b>	Yes
<b>PSI MANDATED BY :</b>	Ministry of Economy and Finances
<b>APPLICABLE REGULATION(S) :</b>	Decree no. 96-021/PCSN/MF/P of 12 February 1996 Arrêté no. 184/MF/P/MCA/TT of 10 June 1996
<b>APPOINTED PSI COMPANY :</b>	Cotecna Inspection S.A.
<b>SELECTION OF PSI COMPANY :</b>	Worldwide
<b>SCOPE OF PSI :</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Quality and quantity</li> <li>- Export market price (for foreign exchange purpose)</li> <li>- Customs valuation ( Agreement on Custom Valuation : ACV is applied until 14 December 2001)</li> <li>- Customs classification</li> <li>- Import eligibility (for information)</li> </ul>
<b>MINIMUM ORDER VALUE SUBJECT TO PSI :</b>	XOF 3'000'000
<b>PARTIAL SHIPMENTS :</b>	Subject to PSI if total order value is equal to or exceeds XOF 3'000'000
<b>EXEMPTIONS FROM PSI :</b>	See " <a href="#">Listing of goods exempt from PSI</a> "

## 2. INSPECTION ORDER "I.O." (the instruction for Cotecna to inspect)

<b>I.O NAME :</b>	Intention d'Importation (II)
<b>ISSUED BY</b>	Cotecna's Liaison Office in Niamey
<b>VALIDITY :</b>	6 months - may be extended for a further 6 months
<b>AMOUNT BY WHICH I.O VALUE MAY BE EXCEEDED :</b>	Normal trade tolerance
<b>AMENDMENT TO THE I.O.:</b>	Allow as far as Cotecna Liaison Office is informed.

### 3. INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS / RESTRICTIONS

<b>SEALING OF FCL CONTAINERS REQUIRED:</b>	Yes
<b>SECOND-HAND GOODS:</b>	Yes - should be declared as such on the I.O.
<b>PROHIBITED IMPORTS:</b>	To be checked with Cotecna Liaison Office in Niamey
<b>RESTRICTED IMPORTS:</b>	To be checked with Cotecna Liaison Office in Niamey
<b>LABELLING REQUIREMENTS:</b>	Trademark, name, origin and expiry date must be shown on limited shelf life retail packages and products in bulk for repackaging. Special labelling for cigarettes and alcohol : <b>VENTE AU NIGER</b>
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS</b>	Shelf life: minimum 50% on arrival in Niger. With an exception for pharmaceuticals which can be a minimum of 3 months shelf life remaining with the following remark: "Certains produits présentent une date de péremption inférieure à une année mais supérieure à trois mois".

### 4. PRICE VERIFICATION / SELLER'S INVOICE REQUIREMENTS

<b>BUYING / CONFIRMING COMMISSION:</b>	Commission must be declared
<b>INSURANCE:</b>	Where applicable. No restriction
<b>FINANCIAL INTEREST:</b>	Where applicable. No restriction
<b>FINAL INVOICE TO SHOW:</b>	FOB, freight, insurance and total value (where applicable) as well as any advance payment

### 5. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

<b>FINAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY PSI COMPANY TO ISSUE REPORT :</b>	Final Invoice, showing FOB and total value
<b>TYPE OF REPORT ISSUED :</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To Seller: Security label affixed to seller's commercial invoice, or a Non-Negotiable Report of Findings (NNRF) named also Avis de Refus d'Attestation (ARA)</li> <li>- To Importer: Clean Report of Findings (CRF) also named Attestation de Verification (ADV), or Non-Negotiable Report of Findings (ARA)</li> </ul>
<b>REPORT PURPOSE :</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Security label: for presentation (by seller) to negotiating bank</li> <li>- ADV for the Niger Authorities to collect the correct amount of import duties and taxes</li> </ul>

## 6. INSPECTION FEES

Inspection fees are paid by the Government. However, COTECNA may invoice the seller in the event of supplementary inspection visits (due to unsatisfactory results). In any case, the costs incurred by the seller in presenting the goods for inspection such as un-packing, handling, testing, sampling, re-packing, etc. are for the account of the seller.

## 7. LISTING OF GOODS EXEMPTED FROM PSI

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## 8. LISTING OF PROHIBITED IMPORTS

Drugs/narcotics - Others: to be checked with Cotecna's Liaison Office in Niamey.

## 9. LISTING OF RESTRICTED IMPORTS

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## 10. DISCLAIMER

The information contained herein is for the purpose of facilitating pre-shipment inspection, does not relieve exporters or importers from their obligation in respect of compliance with the import regulations of the country of importation and is not intended to affect the contractual obligations of the parties to a transaction and consequently does not affect the rights of the buyer, for whom COTECNA is not acting, and does not relieve the seller of his contractual obligations. Although every effort has been made to ensure the correctness of the information, as at the date the issuance of this data sheet, COTECNA does not accept any responsibility for errors and omissions and, furthermore, the information may subsequently be subject to change as may be announced by the Authorities in the country of importation. Consequently, exporters are advised to check with COTECNA, prior to shipment of goods, if there is any doubt concerning the issuance of a Clean Report of Findings.

For further information, or clarification, please contact the COTECNA Affiliate in the country of inspection of the goods.