



## DOCUMENT

### PRIOR IMPORT AUTHORIZATION (API) FOR PESTICIDES AND PHYTOSANITARY PRODUCTS

<p><b>DEFINITION</b></p>	<p><b>The right to import pesticides and phytosanitary products in Côte d'Ivoire is reserved for persons and companies with a Pesticide Distributor Approval.</b></p> <p>The importation itself is subject to a <b>Prior Import Authorization</b> from the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development..</p> <p>Any pesticides must be <b>approved or registered or have a Provisional Sales Authorisation (PSA)</b> before being <b>imported or manufactured</b> in Côte d'Ivoire..</p> <p><b>Registration relates to the commercial speciality (formulated product) and not to the active ingredient..</b></p>
<p><b>PROCEDURE DESCRIPTION</b></p>	<p>Only <b>natural or legal persons with a Pesticide Distributor Approval</b> issued by the <b>Pesticides Committee</b> (whose Permanent Secretariat is provided by the Plant Protection Department) <b>are authorized to import pesticides or phytosanitary products.</b></p> <p><b>This Pesticide Distributor Approval</b> allows pesticides to be both <b>imported and marketed</b> in Côte d'Ivoire.</p> <p><b>The procedure for obtaining the API</b> has been dematerialized through the electronic portal of the Single Window for Foreign Trade (<a href="#">GUCE</a>).</p> <p>The request is made through the portal of the Single Window for Foreign Trade (GUCE) by the importer or the mandated forwarder:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Start the procedure by requesting an Import Declaration Form (FDI) via the Commercial Transaction module.</li><li>• The FDI obtained, make the API request to the ministry via the e-License module.</li></ul> <p>Once the request has been submitted, the technical ministry concerned will receive an email notification and will also connect to the GUCE site for processing and issuing the API.</p> <p>This authorization allows operators to import goods that meet the phytosanitary requirements of Côte d'Ivoire - See Decree No. 89.02).</p>

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	<b>N.B.:</b> <a href="https://guce.gouv.ci/register/procedure">Access to the site</a> requires prior registration as an importer or freight forwarder ( <a href="https://guce.gouv.ci/register/procedure">https://guce.gouv.ci/register/procedure</a> ).
<b>STATE STRUCTURE(S) CONCERNED</b>	<b>Single Window for Foreign Trade.</b> <b>Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.</b> Permanent Secretariat of the Pesticides Committee / Department of Plant Protection, Control and Quality (DPVCQ). Crop Protection Sub-Directorate (SDPC).
<b>COST</b>	<b>Free of charge</b> - (centralized at GUCE level by <a href="#">Decree No. 2016.296 of May 11, 2016</a> and by <a href="#">Interministerial Order 0005 MPMBE/MICOM/MSHP/MINADER of December 30, 2016</a> regulating Certificates and Authorizations in Foreign Trade).
<b>DELIVERY TIME</b>	The deadline for validation of the online API by the technical department concerned is <b>a maximum of 120 hours (5 days)</b> .
<b>APPLICATION DOCUMENTS REQUIRED</b>	A proforma invoice. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• An Import Declaration Form.</li><li>• List of products to import.</li><li>• Approval of distributor of pesticides and phytosanitary products.</li><li>• Certificate of Origin of the formulated product.</li><li>• Certificate of Analysis of the formulated product.</li></ul> Order of registration / Notice of registration of the formulated product.
<b>LEGAL BASIS (LEGAL REFERENCE)</b>	Decree n°89.02 Law No. 64-4990 of December 21, 1964 on plant protection. Decree No. 8902 of January 4, 1989 relating to the approval, manufacture, sale and use of pesticides. Order No. 159/MINAGRI of June 21, 2004 prohibiting the use in agriculture of active substances used in the manufacture of plant protection products.

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