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PRIOR IMPORT AUTHORISATION (API) FOR FERTILISERS

<p>DEFINITION</p>	<p>Fertilisers may only be imported into Côte d'Ivoire by holders of a Fertiliser Importer Approval issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MINADER).</p> <p>Products considered as fertilisers may be marketed or used in Côte d'Ivoire if :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• they comply with an ISO standard;• or they comply with Regulation N°C/REG. of 13 December 2012 on <u>quality control of fertilisers in the ECOWAS zone</u>;• or they have an Approval or a Provisional Import Authorisation (API);• or they are made up of raw organic products or growing media of natural origin or farm by-products delivered in their unprocessed state or mixed together, without chemical treatment (e.g. farmyard manure, etc.). <p>Imports themselves are subject to a Prior Import Authorisation, also issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.</p> <p>FDI will only be validated once the Prior Import Authorisation (API) has been received in the online file, validated, stamped and signed online by the Direction des Productions Vivrières et de la Sécurité Alimentaire (Department of Food Production and Food Safety) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.</p>
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PROCEDURE DESCRIPTION	<p>The API can be obtained via the Guichet Unique du Commerce Extérieur. (GUCE) via the Department of Food Production and Food Security (DPVSA) of MINADER.</p> <p>BEWARE : Ammonium Nitrate (Code SH 31.02.03) et le Sodium Nitrate (Code SH 31.02.05) are considered dangerous goods. They must also obtain a Certificate for Chemical Product (dangerous goods) issued by the SPCIAC-CI, dependent on the Ministry of Defense.</p> <p>The Authorization must be sent to the consignee of the ship before the arrival of the ship and before the unloading of the goods.</p> <p>Prior Import Authorizations are submitted and obtained online on the electronic platform of GUCE (One-Stop Shop for Foreign Trade) www.guce.ci by economic operators or their freight forwarders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Start the procedure by requesting an <u>Import Declaration Form (FDI)</u> via the Commercial Transaction module.• The FDI obtained, make the API request to the ministry via the e-License module.• The request submitted, the agents of the Directorate will receive an email notification and will also connect to the GUCE site for processing and issuance of the API. <p>N.B : Access to the site requires prior registration as an importer or freight forwarder (https://guce.gouv.ci/register/procedure).</p>
STATE STRUCTURE(S) CONCERNED	<p>Foreign Trade Single Window.</p> <p>Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development</p> <p>Department of Food Production and Food Security (DPVSA).</p> <p>Sub-Directorate of Seeds and Inputs (SDSI).</p>
COST	<p>Free of charge - (centralised at GUCE level by Decree no. 2016.296 of 11 May 2016 and by Inter-ministerial Order 0005 MPMBE/MICOM/MSHP/MINADER of 30 December 2016 Decree No. 2016.296 and Interministerial Order No. 0005 MPMBE/MICOM/MSHP/MINADER regulating Certificates and</p>
DELIVERY TIME	<p>The deadline for validation of the online API by the technical department concerned is a maximum of 120 hours (5 days).</p>
APPLICATION DOCUMENTS REQUIRED	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Request addressed to Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development.• A proforma invoice.• An Import Declaration Form.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A photocopy of the National Identity Card or the Residence Card of the Responsible.• A photocopy of the Trade Register.• A technical sheet of the product (composition, method of use, precautions to take, active ingredient, etc.).
LEGAL BASIS (LEGAL REFERENCE)	Appendix A of Decree 93-313. ECOWAS Regulation C/REG. of December 13, 2012 on the Quality Control of Fertilizers in the West African Community Area.
CONTACT(S)	<p>Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development General Directorate of Production and Food Security Department of Food Production and Food Security (DPVSA) Sub-Directorate of Seeds and Inputs Abidjan - Plateau - Immeuble CAISTAB, 24^{ème} et 25^{ème} étages, 01 BP 12243 Abidjan 01, Côte d'Ivoire, Tel: (+225) 20 21 43 03 / 20 21 38 58 Fax: (+225) 20 21 36 10 Website: http://www.agriculture.gouv.ci Email : minagri.cabinet@agriculture.gouv.ci cabminagri@yahoo.fr</p> <p>GUCE portal https://www.guce.gouv.ci Service Help Desk de Webb Fontaine Tel: (+225) 21 21 23 95</p>

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