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PRIOR IMPORT AUTHORIZATION (API) FOR ANIMAL FEED

DEFINITION	By Decree N°83-744 and Decree N°93-312 setting the conditions for the exercise of professions relating to trade in animals, animal products, and animal origin intended for human consumption, the exercise of the profession of animal feed importer is subject to obtaining Authorization for the import of animal feed. This is issued by joint order of the Minister of Trade and the Minister of Animal and Fishery Resources (MIRAH)/ Directorate of Animal Nutrition and Pastoral Area Management (DNAGEP) and the Sub-Directorate of Animal Nutrition and Agrostology (SDNAA). Imports themselves are subject to prior import authorization from the Ministry of Animal and Fishery Resources (MIRAH).

PROCEDURE DESCRIPTION	Livestock feed may only be imported by natural or legal persons holding a license to practice the profession. This authorization is issued by joint order of the Minister of Trade and the Minister of Animal and Fisheries Resources (MIRAH). The procedure for obtaining the API has been dematerialized through the electronic portal of the Guichet Unique du Commerce Extérieur (GUCE). The request is made via the GUCE portal by the importer or the authorized forwarding agent: - Start the procedure by requesting an Import Declaration Form (FDI) via the Commercial Transaction module. - Once the FDI has been obtained, apply to the Ministry for an API via the e-License module. - Once the application has been submitted, officials from the Department of Nutrition and Management of Pastoral Land (DNAGEP)/Sub-Directorate of Animal Nutrition and Agrostology (SDNAA) concerned technical department will receive an email notification and will connect to the GUCE website for processing and delivery of the API. N.B.: To access the site, you must first be registered as an importer or freight forwarder (https://guce.gouv.ci/register/procedure).

STATE STRUCTURE(S) INVOLVED	Guichet Unique du Commerce Extérieur. Ministry of Animal and Fisheries Resources Directorate of Animal Nutrition and Pastoral Management(DNAGEP). Sub-Directorate of Animal Nutrition and Agrostology (SDNAA). Directorate of Veterinary Services (DSV).

COST	**Free of charge** - (centralized at GUCE level by Decree no. 2016.296 of 11 May 2016 and by Interministerial Order 0005MPMBE/MICOM/MSHP/MINADER of 30 December 2016 regulating certificates and authorizations for foreign trade).

DELIVERY TIME	The deadline for validation of the online API by the technical department concerned is 120 hours (5 days) maximum.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO APPLY	- Pro forma invoice. - Import Declaration Form. - Copy of professional license.
LEGAL BASIS (LEGAL REFERENCE)	Décret 93-312 du 11 mars 1993 fixant les conditions d'exercice des professions touchant au commerce des animaux et DAOA. Décret 83-744.

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