

# **INSPECTION OF IMPORTS FOR LEBANON**

## ***Verification of Conformity (VOC) Programme***

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### **1. VOC mandate**

MANDATE AUTHORISED BY:	Industrial Research Institute (IRI)
APPLICABLE REGULATION(S):	<i>Decrees 7172, 7173, 7174, 7175, 7176, 12365, 12381, 14422, 15439</i>
APPOINTED COMPANIES:	<i>BIVAC</i>
SCOPE OF DUTIES:	<i>Quantity, Quality and Packing and compliance with recognised standards.</i>
MINIMUM VALUE SUBJECT TO VOC:	<i>Not applicable.</i>
PART SHIPMENTS:	<i>Allowed.</i>
PRODUCTS FOR VOC:	<i>See Section 7.</i>

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### **2. Inspection Order (I.O.) - The instruction for Bureau Veritas to inspect**

I.O. NAME:	<i>Inspection Order (I.O.).</i>
ISSUED BY:	<i>BIVAC Liaison Office Beirut (LO BRL) (based upon PFI, Importer's application) or Bureau Veritas Centre for Relations with Exporters in the country of export.</i>
VALIDITY:	<i>N/A</i>
AMOUNT BY WHICH I.O. VALUE MAY BE EXCEEDED:	<i>No requirements.</i>
CHANGES FROM SEA TO AIR:	<i>N/A</i>
DESTINATION INSPECTION:	<i>Not allowed. Replaced by testing of every shipment.</i>

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### **3. Inspection requirements/restrictions**

SEALING OF F.C.L. CONTAINERS	<i>Not mandatory.</i>
SECOND-HAND GOODS:	<i>Applicable</i>
PROHIBITED IMPORTS:	<i>See Section 8.</i>
RESTRICTED IMPORTS:	<i>See Section 9.</i>
LABELLING REQUIREMENTS:	<i>Goods must be labelled in Arabic, French or English (Arabic &amp; French or Arabic &amp; English for electrical products)</i>

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### 3. Inspection requirements/restrictions (cont'd)

OTHER REQUIREMENTS: *Checking of the applicable standards, checking of the product conformity proof.  
The control tests must be performed by a IRI/BV accepted laboratory. If no accepted laboratory is available, others can be used by limited approval.*

APPLICABLE STANDARDS: 

- *Standards and technical specifications issued and enforced in Lebanon or international equivalent - see section 7.*

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### 4. Price verification/Seller's invoice requirements

BUYING/CONFIRMING COMMISSIONS: *N/A*

INSURANCE: *N/A*

FINANCIAL INTEREST: *N/A*

FINAL INVOICE TO SHOW: *N/A*

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### 5. Reporting requirements

FINAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY BUREAU VERITAS TO ISSUE REPORT: *Shipping documents, original of Supplier / Manufacturer Declaration, Test Reports and certificates*

TYPE OF REPORT ISSUED: ***Certificate of Conformity issued by IRI for Importer (CC) ;  
Certified invoice for Exporter if requested.***

REPORT PURPOSE: *The certified invoice for the Exporter is to enable him to negotiate the L/C.  
The CC is given to the Importer who must produce it at the time of customs clearance.*

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### 6. Inspection fees

*Inspections are paid by the Exporter directly to Bureau Veritas Centre of Relations with Exporters (CRE) or by the importer directly to the Liaison Office (LO). Nevertheless, Bureau Veritas may also invoice the Seller in the event of supplementary inspection visits (aborted or unsatisfactory results during first Inspection). The costs incurred by the Seller in presenting the goods for inspection, such as unpacking, handling, testing, sampling, repackaging... are for the Seller's account.*

- *For all items the proposed fees are based on F.O.B. value of the consignment*
- *Fees applicable to the Programme will be paid per inspection. They are set to cover the cost of physical inspection of the consignment including sampling when necessary, the documentary review and the conformity certificates (if satisfactory).*

*Does not include any additional work that may be required, such as shipping & testing of samples.*

**REGION OF SUPPLY / INSPECTION: MIDDLE EAST / AFRICA (except Lebanon)**

<b>FOB value of shipment</b>	<b>Fees for physical inspection, documentary review and Certification of Conformity</b>
USD 0 --- USD 50,000	USD 170
USD 50,000 --- USD 200,000	0,34 % of FOB value
USD 200,000 --- USD 1,000,000	USD 640 plus 0,26% of FOB value exceeding USD 200,000
USD 1,000,000 and above	USD 2,720 plus 0,17% of FOB value exceeding USD 1,000,000

**REGION OF SUPPLY / INSPECTION: ASIA (except Japan and Middle East)**

<b>FOB value of shipment</b>	<b>Fees for physical inspection, documentary review and Certification of Conformity</b>
USD 0 --- USD 50,000	USD 180
USD 50,000 --- USD 200,000	0,36 % of FOB value
USD 200,000 --- USD 1,000,000	USD 720 plus 0,30% of FOB value exceeding USD 200,000
USD 1,000,000 and above	USD 3,120 plus 0,21% of FOB value exceeding USD 1,000,000

**REGION OF SUPPLY / INSPECTION: JAPAN**

<b>FOB value of shipment</b>	<b>Fees for physical inspection, documentary review and Certification of Conformity</b>
USD 0 --- USD 50,000	USD 280
USD 50,000 --- USD 200,000	0,56 % of FOB value
USD 200,000 --- USD 1,000,000	USD 1,120 plus 0,46% of FOB value exceeding USD 200,000
USD 1,000,000 and above	USD 4,800 plus 0,35% of FOB value exceeding USD 1,000,000

**REGION OF SUPPLY / INSPECTION: AMERICAS**

<b>FOB value of shipment</b>	<b>Fees for physical inspection, documentary review and Certification of Conformity</b>
USD 0 --- USD 50,000	USD 240
USD 50,000 --- USD 200,000	0,48 % of FOB value
USD 200,000 --- USD 1,000,000	USD 960 plus 0,38% of FOB value exceeding USD 200,000
USD 1,000,000 and above	USD 4,000 plus 0,29% of FOB value exceeding USD 1,000,000

**REGION OF SUPPLY / INSPECTION: EUROPE**

<b>FOB value of shipment</b>	<b>Fees for physical inspection, documentary review and Certification of Conformity</b>
USD 0 --- USD 50,000	USD 200
USD 50,000 --- USD 200,000	0,40 % of FOB value
USD 200,000 --- USD 1,000,000	USD 800 plus 0,34% of FOB value exceeding USD 200,000
USD 1,000,000 and above	USD 3,520 plus 0,25% of FOB value exceeding USD 1,000,000

## 7. List of goods subject to VOC

Laboratory test fees are not included in the ABNE and will be payable by the Exporter. Any test fees incurred will be notified to the Exporter/seller prior to test commencement.

PRODUCTS	LEBANESE STANDARDS	International or European standards (Eq.)
<b>TOYS</b>		
Electrical toys (From small button cell operated lights to large sit on cars powered by large lead-acid cells)	NL 407	EN 50088
<b>HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES</b>		
Vacuum cleaners and water-suction cleaning appliances	NL101-2-2	IEC 60335-2-2
Dishwashers	NL101-2-5	IEC 60335-2-5
Stationary cooking ranges, hobs, ovens and similar appliances	NL101-2-6	IEC 60335-2-6
Washing machines	NL101-2-7	IEC 60335-2-7
Grills, toasters and similar portable cooking appliances	NL101-2-9	IEC 60335-2-9
Floor Treatment Machines and Wet Scrubbing Machines	NL101-2-10	IEC 60335-2-10
Tumble dryers	NL101-2-11	IEC 60335-2-11
Warming Plates and Similar Appliances	NL 101-2-12	IEC 60335-2-12
Deep fat fryers, frying pans and similar appliances	NL101-2-13	IEC 60335-2-13
Kitchen machines	NL101-2-14	IEC 60335-2-14
Appliances for heating liquids	NL101-2-15	IEC 60335-2-15
Storage water heaters	NL101-2-21	IEC 60335-2-21
Appliances for skin or hair care	NL101-2-23	IEC 60335-2-23
Refrigerating appliances, ice-cream appliances and ice-makers	NL101-2-24	IEC 60335-2-24
Microwave ovens, including combination microwave ovens	NL101-2-25	IEC 60335-2-25
Clocks	NL101-2-26	IEC 60335-2-26
Room heaters	NL101-2-30	IEC 60335-2-30
Instantaneous water heaters	NL101-2-35	IEC 60335-2-35
Electrical Heat Pumps, Air-Conditioners and Dehumidifiers	NL101-2-40	IEC 60335-2-40
Insect killers	NL101-2-59	IEC 60335-2-59
Water-bed heaters	NL101-2-66	IEC 60335-2-66
Fans	NL101-2-80	IEC 60335-2-80
Humidifiers	NL101-2-98	IEC 60335-2-98
<b>All other household appliances:</b> <b>Cooking and kitchen appliances</b> such as hoods, mixers, commercial ovens/ranges/grills, spin extractors... <b>Other household appliances</b> Such as appliances for Skin or Hair Care, UV appliances, irons, sewing machines, massage appliances, electric toothbrushes, shavers... (Excluding medical devices, computers and tools)	NL 101 - 1 And applicable part 2 (NL 101-2-x) when required	IEC 60335-1 And applicable part 2 (IEC 60335-2-x) when required
<b>AUDIO VIDEO APPARATUS</b>		
Audio, Video And Similar Electronic Apparatus (Television, Hifi, radios, recorders, video games, cd/tape/dvd players, audio amplifiers...)	NL 167	IEC 60065
<b>Transformers / Power supplies / Chargers / adapters</b>	NL101-2-29	IEC 60335-2-29
Battery Chargers		
Power Transformers, Power Adapters, Power Supply Units and Similar	NL216 series	IEC 61558 series
<b>LAMPS (Light bulbs)</b>		
Tungsten Lamps for household use	NL96-1 NL95	IEC 60432-1 IEC 60064
<b>BATTERIES</b>		
Primary Batteries	NL504 series	IEC 60086 series
Lead -Acid Starter Batteries	NL217 series	IEC 60095 series
Lead -Acid Starter Batteries (except starter batteries)	NL 61056-1	IEC 61056-1
<b>CERAMIC TILES</b>		
Ceramic tiles	NL 102 + one of (NL 109, NL 113, NL115, NL116, NL117, NL118, NL119, NL120, NL121 or NL122)	EN 87 + one of (EN121, EN159, EN176, EN177, EN178, EN186-1, EN186-2, EN187-1, EN187-2 or EN188)
<b>COSMETICS</b>	NL 14, NL15, NL 16, NL 17, NL 18, NL 19	76/768/EEC + amdts
<b>ALKYD PAINTS</b> Except decorative primer paints	LS 94, LS 92, LS 93, LS 90, LS 91, LS 88, LS 89	
<b>DETERGENTS</b> Synthetic washing powder	NL 218	
<b>FLOAT GLASS</b> Basic soda lime silicate glass products Laminated glass and laminated safety glass	NL EN 572-(1,2,3,4,5,6,7) NL EN ISO 12543-(2, 3, 5, 6)	EN 572-(1,2,3,4,5,6,7) EN ISO 12543 (1, 2, 3, 5, 6)

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**8. Prohibited goods**

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**9. List of restricted goods**

*Not applicable for V.O.C.*

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**10. Other relevant information**

*Customs advise that shipments with a valid CC will receive preference for fast track clearance process,*

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**11. Geographical inspection zones**

*World-wide.*

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