



**Kenya Bureau of
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Standards for Quality life

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KEBS PUBLIC NOTICE ON EXPIRY OF PVoC CONTRACTS FOR GENERAL GOODS AND INCIDENTAL ARRANGEMENTS THEREOF

Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) is a statutory body established under the Standards Act, CAP 496, Laws of Kenya. KEBS is mandated to offer quality inspection of imports based on Kenya Standards or approved specifications among other services. KEBS inspects imported goods either in the country of exportation, through the Pre-Export Verification of Conformity (PVoC) to Standards program, and also at Destination or Ports of Entry. The PVoC services are offered on behalf of KEBS by inspection companies contracted on a three (3) year contract cycle.

KEBS wishes to inform all Stakeholders and the Public that the current PVoC contracts for general goods is expiring on 31st March 2022. Therefore, the current PVoC service providers will cease operations and will NOT be accepting any new applications for certification as from 1st April 2022. However, All Requests for Certification (RFC) received on or before 31st March 2022 shall be processed provided the certification decision is made and a Certificate of Conformity (CoC) or Non- Conformity Report issued not later than 30th April 2022.

Consequently, KEBS is the process of signing a new three (3) year PVoC contract cycle with the following inspection companies;

1. SGS
2. Bureau Veritas
3. World Standardization Certification & Testing Group (Shenzhen) Co. Ltd
4. China Certification & Inspection Group Co. Ltd
5. TÜV Austria Turk
6. China Hansom Inspection & Certificate Co. Ltd

Stakeholders and the Public shall be notified when the above inspection companies shall commence inspection under the PVoC program. In the meantime, ALL imports shipped on board from 1st April 2022 without a CoC shall be subjected to destination inspection upon payment of inspection fee equivalent to 0.6% of the approved customs value **subject to a minimum of 265 USD and a maximum of 2700 USD** until further notice. However, goods from East Africa Community (EAC) Partner States shall continue to be handled as provided for under EAC SQMT Act, 2006. Further information on the Destination Inspection can be found on our website www.kebs.org.

Please note that PVoC contract for used motor vehicles, mobile equipment and spare parts between KEBS and M/s Quality Inspection Services Japan (QISJ) is still in force and not affected by this notice. All used motor vehicles, mobile equipment and spare parts will continue to be inspected by QISJ and any consignment of the same arriving at the Ports of Entry without Certificate of Roadworthiness (CoR) or CoC shall be subject to destination inspection as provided for under Legal Notice No. 78 of April 2020.

For further clarification, please contact KEBS on telephone **+254 20 6948646 / 456 / 439 / 000** or E-mail: pvoc@kebs.org or info@kebs.org

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