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REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTAINER SEALING AND INSPECTION OF MOTOR CYCLE HELMETS

Pursuant to the provision of Legal Notice No.78 of 15th July 2005, the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) has put in place the Pre-export Verification of Conformity to Standards (PVoC) program which requires that imported goods are subjected to quality inspection before shipment. The objectives of the program are:

- Protection of consumers' health and safety
- Protection of the environment
- Prevention of illicit trade

In furtherance of these objectives, KEBS wishes to bring to the attention of importers, traders and the general public the following requirements:

Container sealing

All full load containers for goods certified under Route A as outlined in the PVoC Manual shipped on or after 1st September, 2016 shall be required to be sealed by the PVoC Agents after inspection in the country of supply. Any consignments not bearing the seal by the PVoC agent that had certified the goods shall be subjected to full inspection at the port of destination at the importer's cost.

Mandatory pre-export verification of conformity for protective helmets for motorcyclists

Protective Helmets for motorcyclists are covered under the PVoC program and should therefore be subjected to PVoC process to establish their conformity to **KS 77:2012 - Protective helmets for motorcyclists, specification** before importation.

Importers and their agents are advised to ensure that they produce consignments of helmets for certification by the companies appointed by KEBS in the respective countries of supply.

Importers are further notified that any consignment of helmets shipped after the date of this notice without Certificate of Conformity (CoC) from any of the KEBS' appointed inspection companies shall be rejected without an option of destination inspection.

Please be guided accordingly.

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