



## *Verification of Conformity*

*Boost your exports  
Demonstrate compliance of your products*



**CONGO**

**PCEC (Consignment Based  
Conformity Assessment Programme)**



Shaping a World of Trust



# SCOPE

## PCEC PROGRAMME

The Congolese Agency for Standardization and Quality (ACONOQ) has appointed **Bureau Veritas** to implement the **Congolese Conformity Assessment Programme (PCEC)**.

**Bureau Veritas** verifies, in the region of export and prior to shipment, the conformity of the goods to Congolese standards and issues the Certificate of Conformity required for Customs clearance of the goods in Congo.

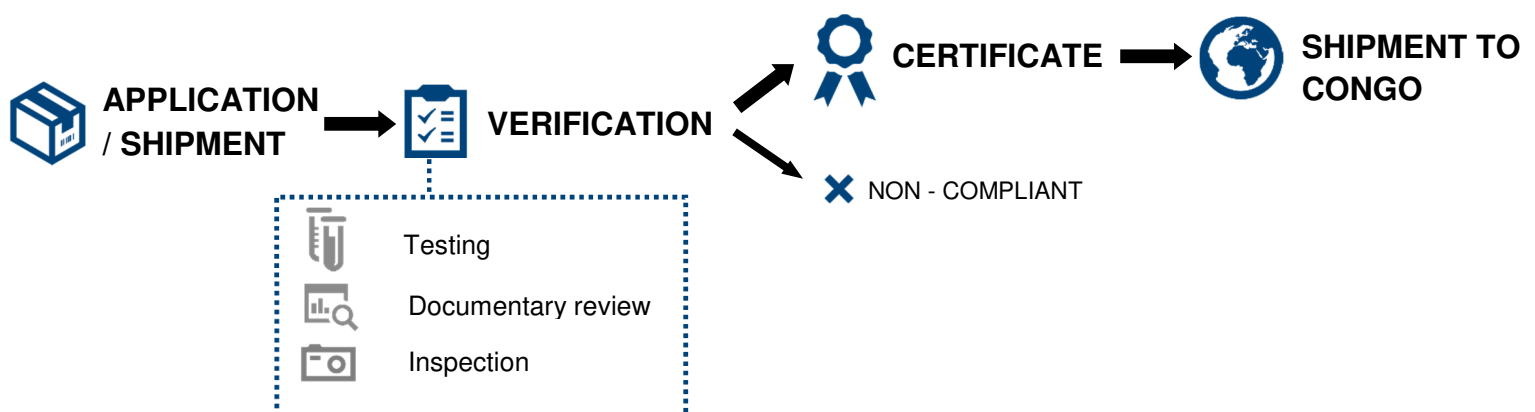
## OBJECTIVES

- Protection of the consumers and the industries
- Protection of the environment
- Conformity Assurance
- Swift customs clearance with the appropriate Certificate of Conformity (CoC)

## PRODUCTS COVERED

- All Products (see Datasheet for exclusions)

## BASIC PROCESS OVERVIEW



# PROCESS



## Step 1 : Request for Certificate

**Exporter lodges an on-line Request for Certificate (available on <https://verigates.bureauveritas.com>) or fills up the Request For Certificate (RFC) Form and sends it to a Bureau Veritas local contact (see Contacts sheet). Said request should include:**

- List, designation of goods intended to be exported, importer / exporter details (name, address, invoice, ...),
- Conformity documents available (ex: Third party certificate, Test reports, Reports of analysis according to applicable standards),
- Certificate of the manufacturer according to ISO 9001 or other quality standard such as ISO 22000, ISO/TS 16949, ISO 13485... if any,
- Information related to local and provisional date of availability of goods to carry out their physical inspection before shipment.

## Step 2 : Routes to compliance

**To facilitate trade and adjust intervention to the risk, 3 different routes are available in our PCEC Programme to demonstrate compliance:**

- Route **A**: Any good, any trader
- Route **B** (Registration): Goods already registered by Bureau Veritas
- Route **C** (Licensing): Goods already licensed by Bureau Veritas

## Step 3 : Documentary review / Testing

**Bureau Veritas reviews all information provided and checks their adequacy against the Congolese standards. Laboratory testing / analysis are conducted on samples if necessary.**

## Step 4 : Inspection

**Bureau Veritas checks:**

- Products against applicable standards
- That goods presented are those identified during the documentary review
- That goods match their description in the import / export documents
- If necessary, Bureau Veritas inspectors may take samples for additional assessment.

## Step 5 : PCEC Certificate

**Bureau Veritas checks the inspection report against the provided documents. Upon satisfactory results, a secured Certificate of Conformity is issued, else, a Non-Conformity Report is produced. Exporters are recommended not to ship their goods prior issuance of the required Certificate.**



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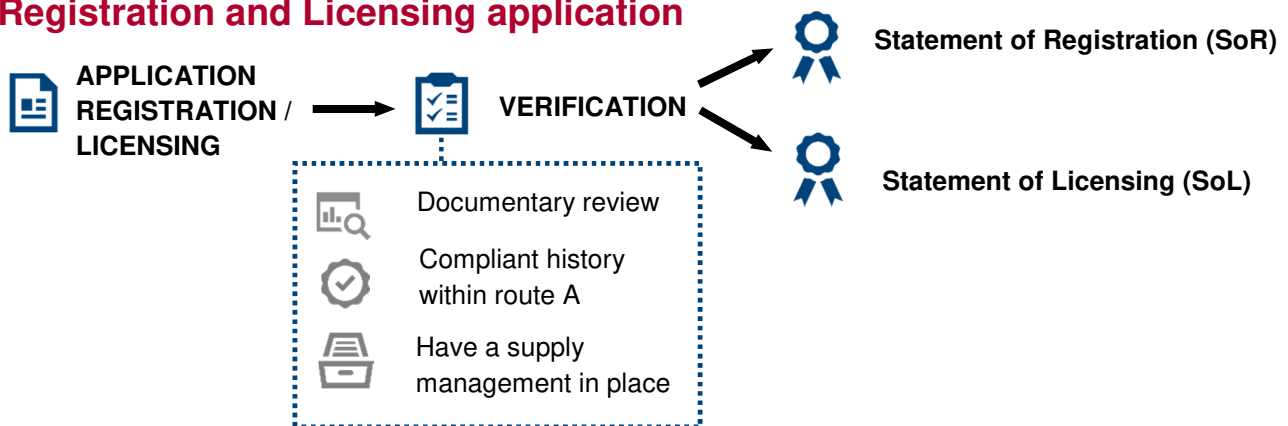


# FACILITATION PROCEDURE

Registration (Route B) and Licensing (Route C) are options offered for regular importer/exporter to Congo. The documents and system in place to ensure conformity to Congolese requirements are preliminary reviewed (test report, certificate, results of testing, inspection, factory audit...)

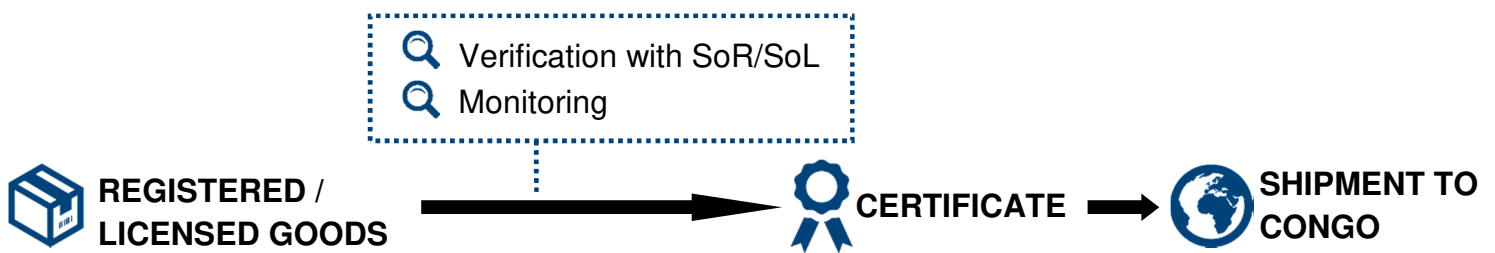
## Registration and Licensing

### Registration and Licensing application



### Shipment verification

SoR/SoL reduces the documentary review and/or inspection of shipment and speed up the issuance of certificate in performing the necessary monitoring.



Find list of contacts and detailed information about the programme on <https://verigates.bureauveritas.com>

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