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Procedure sheet · Importing

Clear goods under the Single Customs Territory (SCT)

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The EAC Single Customs Territory (SCT) allows goods destined for a landlocked member state to be cleared and have duty assessed once, at the first point of entry into the region (port or airport). Declaration is largely done against the declared final destination, with physical checks carried out at the port of entry.

Steps	Total time	Published fixed costs	Responsible institution
4	**Not communicated**	**Not communicated**	**KRA**

4 proportional, variable or unpublished cost(s)

Prerequisites

- Be registered with the revenue authority of the destination member state
- Have a licensed customs agent if not self-declaring

Steps

1. Pre-arrival declaration before vessel arrival

The customs declaration is submitted electronically before the cargo arrives at the port of entry (Mombasa or Dar es Salaam depending on the corridor), stating the final destination member state.

Institution KRA **Channel** Online **Cost** Not communicated

2. Valuation and duty assessment at the port of entry

The customs administration of the coastal country (Kenya via the Port of Mombasa, or Tanzania via the Port of Dar es Salaam) values the goods and assesses the duties and taxes due, in principle applied under the destination member state's regime.

Institution KRA **Channel** At the counter **Cost** Per the EAC Common External Tariff and the destination country's domestic taxes

3. Transit under electronic seal to destination

Once duty is assessed (and a transit bond put up where required), the goods travel under the EAC transit regime, tracked by an electronic cargo tracking system, to the destination customs office.

Channel At the counter **Cost** Not communicated

4. Release at the destination office

On arrival, the revenue authority of the destination member state (for example OBR in Burundi or RRA in Rwanda) checks the cargo against the original declaration and authorises release.

Institution RRA **Channel** At the counter **Cost** Not communicated

Legal basis

- Protocol on the Establishment of the East African Community Customs Union (EAC Customs Union Protocol)

Sources

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