

OPPORTUNITY IN THE VALUE CHAIN

CONFORMITY TO STANDARDS

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- National standards body
 - Established under standards Act -CAP 496
 - Promotes standardization in commerce & industry:
 - Development of standards
 - Conformity assessment
 - Metrology
 - Control of standardization marks
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STANDARDS

- ❑ Benchmark for quality compliance
 - ❑ Basis for acceptance of goods to access the Kenyan market.
 - ❑ Basis for issuance of certification marks
 - Standardization (quality) mark
 - PVoC certificate of conformity
 - Product certification
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COMMODITY STANDARDS

- KS 951:2007 Dry soya beans
 - KS 1169-2:2007 Garden peas
 - KS 694-1:2007 Raw groundnut
 - KS 2124: 2007 Cow peas
 - KS 456:2007 Dry beans
 - Legumes intended for human consumption
 - Specify quality, grading, labeling requirements
 - Limit: moisture content, defects, foreign matter, contaminants, aflatoxin etc
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FISH STANDARDS

- KS 1399:1998 part 1-2 Fin Fish
 - Prescribes requirements and methods of test for fresh fin fish (Whole & Fillet)

 - Codes of Practice
 - KS 1516:1998 - Code of Hygiene practice - Production and the placing on the market of fishery products
 - Health certificate from a competent authority in country of origin to accompany consignments
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FISH STANDARDS CONT'D

□ Other General specifications:

- KS 522: 1987 parts 1-3: Canned fish
- KS 1399: 2000 parts 1-2: Frozen fish

- Prescribe requirements and methods of test
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REGISTRATION PROCESSES FOR CONFORMITY

- Pre-export verification of conformity
 - Verification of imports for Conformity to standards in country of origin
 - Involves information sharing:
 - KRA – KEBS
 - KEBS - PVoC partner (Inspection agent)
 - PVoC partner - KEBS
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PVoC cont'd

- ❑ Issuance of Import Declaration Form – KRA
 - ❑ Quality verification by PVoC partner
 - ❑ Issuance of certificate of conformity (CoC) to complying goods
 - ❑ Shipment of consignment with CoC
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REGISTRATION PROCESSES FOR CONFORMITY (ISM)

- ❑ Import standardization mark
 - ❑ Applicable to products with impact on health and safety
 - ❑ Mandatory for food
 - Application
 - Submission of CoC
 - Issuance of Mark
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ISM symbol

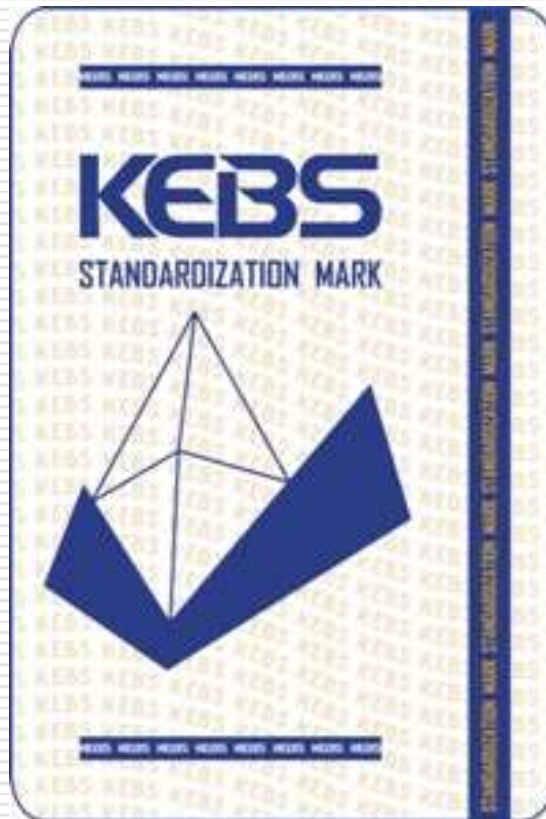


REGISTRATION PROCESSES FOR CONFORMITY (S mark)

□ Standardization mark

- Mark of quality for all local products
 - Issued to manufacturers upon product compliance to standards
 - Application
 - Assessment of process
 - Sampling and testing for conformity
 - Issuance of mark
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S Mark symbol



Product Certification

- For local and imported products
 - Diamond Mark of quality
 - Application
 - Audit of production system by KEBS
 - Effectiveness of process controls
 - Compliance to quality standards
 - Issuance of permit to use mark
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Diamond mark symbol



ADVANTAGES OF CERTIFICATION

- ❑ Speeds up release of imports
 - ❑ Improves market access
 - ❑ Promotes competitiveness
 - ❑ Raises level of quality awareness
 - ❑ Provide assurance of product quality
 - ❑ Enhance consumer confidence
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Thank you

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