



# NAMIBIA REVENUE AGENCY (NamRA) CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT

## PRESENTATION: CUSTOMS PROCEDURES ON IMPORTATION OF TELECOMMUNICATION EQUIPMENTS INTO NAMIBIA

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# OUTLINE

- 01 Introduction
- 02 Role Players in the Customs Clearance Process
- 03 Overview of the Customs Clearance Process
- 04 Challenges faced / Recommendations



# INTRODUCTION

## UNDERSTAND THE EXISTENCE OF NamRA

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The Namibia Revenue Agency (NamRA) is the nation's tax collecting authority, established in terms of the Namibia Revenue Agency Act, 2017 (Act No. 12 of 2017) to administer the Namibian Tax and Customs and Excise laws.

## ROLE OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

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Customs and Excise is a department within NamRA is mandated to regulates the flow of goods entering and leaving the country at all point of entries and exits.

## LEGAL FRAMEWORK

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Section 123 of the Customs and Excise Act, 1998 (Act No. 20 of 1998 as amended), gives mandate to the Customs and Excise Department to control the importation and exportation of certain goods classified as prohibited and/ or restricted and which may in terms of the Act, or any other authority, be imported under a permit, certificate or license.

## OBJECTIVE

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The aim of regulating such importation/exportation is to protect the Namibian society thereby ensuring a safer environment.

# ROLE PLAYERS IN THE CLEARANCE PROCESS





## OVERVIEW OF THE CUSTOMS OPERATIONS

### 01 ARRIVAL OF GOODS

Goods are offloaded from the aircraft, stored in the temporary storage known as Transit Shed pending customs clearance

### 02 FRAMING AND SUBMISSION OF CUSTOMS DECLARATIONS

Clearing agents frame the Customs declarations (SAD 500) and submit to Customs and Excise for clearance.

### 03 CUSTOMS CLEARANCE PROCESS START

- Conducts documentary verification
- Physical Inspection/Examination
- Notification to Clearing Agent to apply the Type Approval Certificate with CRAN
- Application timeframe
- Submission of requested information (Type Approval Certificate)
- Release of Goods
- Customs Treatment of Rejected Goods





## CHALLENGES FACED

Undervaluation and non-declaration of imported goods

Misclassification of goods

False documentation

## RECOMMENDATION

Ensure to declare correct values

Imported goods should be correctly classified

Importers are encouraged to apply for the Type Approval Certificates in advance.



# Thank You

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