

EU 1148/2001

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Practical Aspects for Third Country Recognition

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PPECB



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**Perishable Products Export
Control Board (since 1926)**

**Official Export Inspection &
Certification Agency in
South Africa**

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Quality



Phyto



Food safety



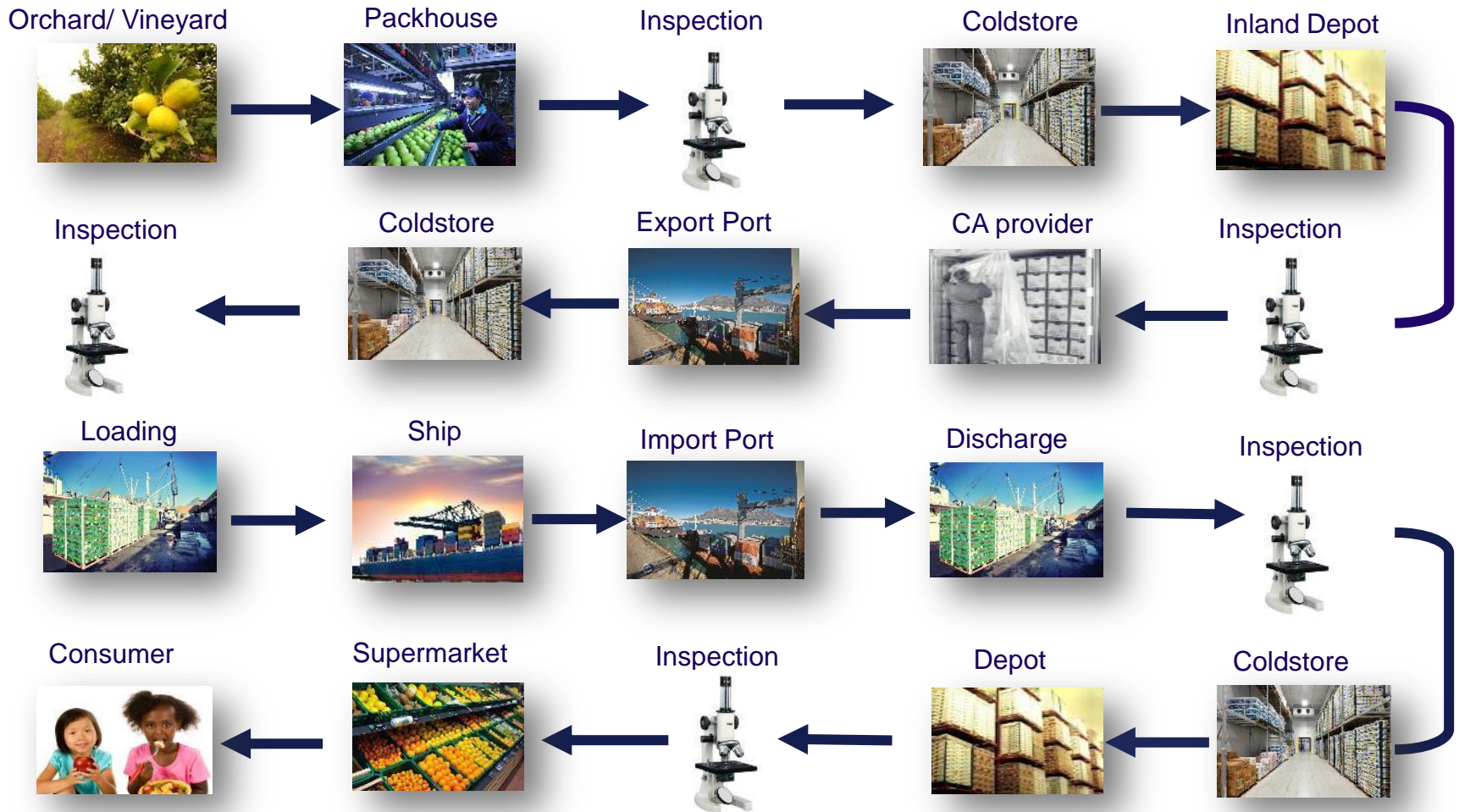
Cold chain



Information Services



EXPORT VALUE CHAIN



PPECB PASSED FOR EXPORT

PALLETS
EXPORTED

2.6

million

RATIO

7% – Break Bulk

Pallets

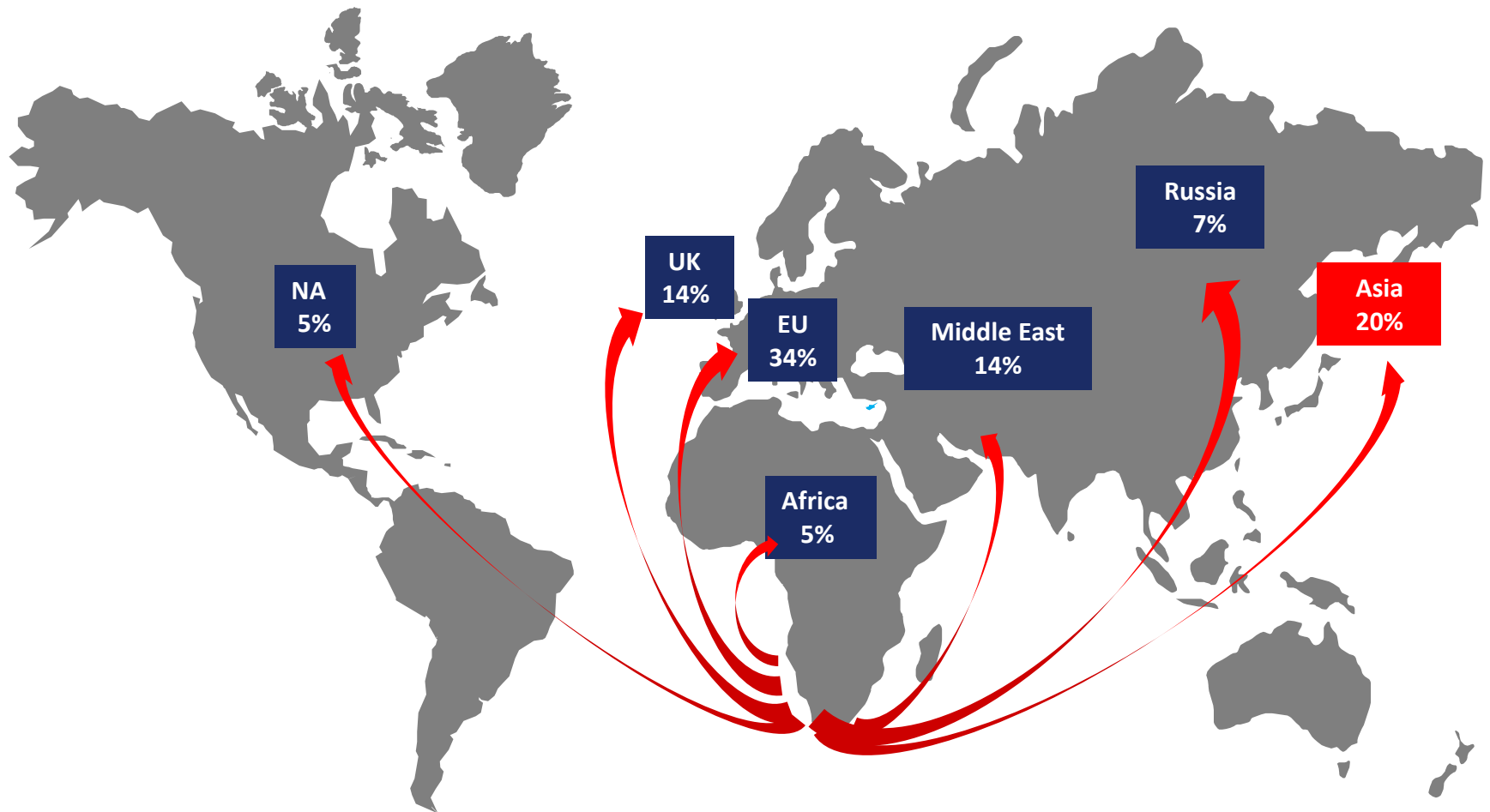
93% - Containers



Traceable back to PPECB Inspector



SA FRUIT EXPORT DESTINATIONS



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Imports of fruit and vegetables from third countries should conform to the marketing standards or to standards equivalent to them. Conformity checks must therefore be carried out before those goods enter the customs territory of the Union, except in the case of small lots which the inspection bodies consider to be low risk.

In certain third countries which provide satisfactory guarantees of conformity, pre-export checks may be carried out by the inspection bodies of those third countries. Where this option is applied, Member States should regularly verify the effectiveness and quality of the pre-export checks carried out by third country inspection bodies.

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EC Marketing/OECD standards

- Only concerns quality
- Not food safety (MRLs) or phytosanitary aspects



STANDARDS

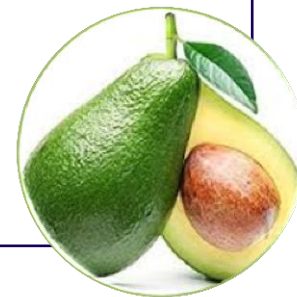
E10 Specific Marketing standards

- Apples
- Citrus fruit
- Kiwifruit
- Lettuces
- Peaches and nectarines
- Pears
- Strawberries
- Sweet peppers
- Table grapes
- Tomatoes



General Marketing Standard

- Fruit and vegetables not covered by a specific standard shall conform to the general marketing standard



STANDARDS CONTINUE

- Local/domestic standards
- Imports
- Export standards – own or UNECE/OECD
- Participation in UNECE/OECD standards setting
- Harmonised application of standards
- Culture/history of compliance
- Buy in of authorities/industry – consultation

STRENGTHEN THE EXPORT INSPECTION AND
CERTIFICATION SYSTEM

IMPLEMENTATION OF STANDARDS

- Obligatory export control/inspections
- 100% of consignments or risk based?
- Which authority or agency will be responsible for controls?
- Where will controls be executed?
- Sufficient capacity/resources
 - Inspectors (Qualifications?)
 - Equipment (Calibrated?)
 - Facilities
- Registration of Inspectors

IMPLEMENTATION OF STANDARDS

- Inspection methods
- External/internal quality
- Equivalent to UNECE/OECD requirements
 - Sampling
 - Inspection
 - Verification
- Control over rejected produce
- Traceability
- Marking requirements

IMPLEMENTATION OF STANDARDS

- Tolerances
 - Decay
 - Class 1 – 1%
 - Class 2 – 2%
 - At export point – 0%
- Time to market
- Arrive in optimum condition



IMPLEMENTATION OF STANDARDS

- Certificates of conformity
 - Issued for all consignments
 - Validity period of certificate is important – from which date?
 - Paper or electronic format allowed
 - Format – can use EC format or own
 - Must contain information equivalent to that of EC
 - Must be stamped, signed and dated
 - Where to issue?

Certificate specimen...



REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT STANDARDS ACT
OFFICIAL EXPORT CERTIFICATE

PP 1429875
AP503
COR June 2016
ORIGINAL

1. Trader/ Exporter's name: SHOPRITE CHECKERS (PTY) LTD, CNR KRUISFONTEIN & OLD PAARL ROADS, BRACKENFELL, 7560, SOUTH AFRICA				Serial Number: 36/NG44	
2. Packer/ production unit code identified on packaging (if other than trader) C1113 C1192 C1193 Q0102 C0068 C1134 C1136 C1149 C0298 C1111 C0262 L0027 C0386			3. Official authority/ Competent authority: Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Inspection body: Perishable Products Export Control Board (PPECB), designated by the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries as Assignee		
6. Means of Transport: AIR SEA ROAD			4. Country of origin Republic of South Africa		5. Country of Destination DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
6. Means of Transport: AIR SEA ROAD Vessel: NOT APPLICABLE Container numbers: NOT APPLICABLE (consignment numbers) NGB6005001 NGB6004967 NGB6004968 NGB6004999 NGB8001012 NGB8000997 NGB8001000 NGB6004980 ING0017313 NGB8000955 ING0017299 ING0017300 NGB6004981 NGB6004991 NGB6004997 I050801367 I960900002 I960900003			7. National Regulations: Issued in terms of the regulations regarding control of the export of certain products, published under section 15 of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No. 119 of 1990)		
8. Packages (number and type) 64 cartons 384 cartons 184 cartons 128 cartons 312 cartons 160 cartons 252 cartons	9. Type of product (variety if the standard specifies) APPLES - CRIPPS PINK APPLES - GOLDEN DELICIOUS APPLES - GRANNY SMITH APPLES - STARKING APPLES - TOPRED ORANGES - VALENCIAS PEARS - PACKHAMS TRIUMPH	10. Quality class CLASS 2 CLASS 1 CLASS 2 CLASS 1 CLASS 1 CLASS 2 CLASS 2	11. Total weight in kg nett 768.00 5658.00 2908.00 1886.00 4794.00 2464.00 3114.00		
12. This is to certify that samples of the products specified herein have been inspected and, at the time of inspection complied with the standards and requirements specified in terms of section 4(3) of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990. Customs office foreseen: entry					
13. Period of validity days: 40 days by Sea or Land and 10 days by Air					
Inspection Stamp: 		Date of Issue: 29/10/2018 Place of Issue: Paarl Inspector: M. Scholtz 4110 Signature: [Signature]			
14. Comments/ observations:					

"Any person who alters this certificate or makes a document or causes a document to be made which purports to be this certificate shall be guilty of an offence in terms of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990"

ADVANTAGES OF APPROVED THIRD COUNTRY STATUS UNDER EU 1148/543

- Produce is not delayed as it cleared automatically, because it has a certificate.
- Inspection might be waived when risk analysis is applied
- Produce can be moved directly to customer's premises without delay as it has already been cleared.
- Produce is free to move within the European Union.
- Whilst a small percentage of consignments from Approved Third Countries are randomly picked for inspection, to check that the approval continues to be applicable. This number is much smaller than those picked for inspection from non-approved countries.



ADVANTAGES OF APPROVED THIRD COUNTRY STATUS UNDER EU 1148/543

- Consignments from Approved Third Countries that are picked for random inspection can be inspected at a customer's premises rather than the port. So reducing any delays.
- Approved Third Country status confers a quality image on products from that country.





Inspections



THANK YOU