



IMPORT REQUIREMENTS

(Excluding General Document)

HS Code: 09109910

Other Spices, Nes, Wrapped/Canned upto 2.5 kg

Product-Specific Documents

| Sl. | Documents | Purpose | Agency/ Entity | Stage | Option | Validity | Applicability | Legislation | Remarks |
|-----|--|---------|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|--------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | Import Permit (IP) | CC, RP | Plant Quarantine Wing of DAE | Before opening LC | Online | 04 (four) months from issuance (plus two months' extension provision) | Consignment/Lot Specific | Sec. 9(1), Sec. 10(1), Plant Quarantine Act, 2011 [Bangla English]; Rule 3(3)(Ka), Plant Quarantine Rules, 2018 [Bangla] | |
| 2 | Prior Notification to the Plant Quarantine Officer | RP | Importer | At least 07 (seven) days prior to probable import | Manual | Consignment Specific | Consignment Specific | Rule 7(1), Plant Quarantine Rules, 2018 [Bangla] | |
| 3 | Release Order (RO) | CC, RP | Plant Quarantine Wing of DAE | After submitting Bill of Entry | Online / Manual | Consignment Specific | Consignment Specific | Rule 9(4), Plant Quarantine Rules, 2018 [Bangla] | Release Order will not be issued, if packaging materials made of raw or solid wood are not treated as per ISPM-15 [Rule 9(7), Plant Quarantine Rules, 2018]. |
| 4 | Phytosanitary Certificate (PC) | CC, RP | Competent authority of origin country | Before boarding the conveyance | Manual | As mentioned in the PC | Consignment Specific | Sec. 10(2), Plant Quarantine Act, 2011 [Bangla English] | |
| 5 | If new variety of non-notified crop seed, Registration Certificate | CC, RP | National Seed Board | After importation | Manual | Once for one new variety | Once for a new variety | Sec. 7(4), Seed Act, 2018 [Bangla English] | |
| 6 | If import of more than 5 Metric Ton of non-notified crop seed, Prior Permission from the Government | CC, RP | National Seed Board | Before issuing import permit by PQW | Manual | Consignment/Lot Specific | Consignment Specific | Rule 18(2), Seed Rules, 2020 [Bangla] | |
| 7 | If import for any amount of seed for research and adaptability testing, Prior Permission for seed dealer from the Government | RP | National Seed Board | Before importation | Manual | Consignment/Lot Specific | Consignment/Lot Specific | Rule 18(4), Seed Rules, 2020 [Bangla] | |

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| 8 | Licence for Agro-products importer | RP | Department of Agricultural Marketing (DAM) | Before importation | Manual | 01 (one) year from the issuance date | Annual | Sec. 7(1), Schedule-1 & 2, Agricultural Marketing Act, 2018 [Bangla] ; Rule 6, Agricultural Marketing Rules, 2021 [Bangla] | |
| 9 | If GMO/LMO, permission from Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change | RP | Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change | Before importation | Manual | Consignment Specific | Consignment Specific | Rule 3, Bangladesh Biosafety Rules, 2012 [Bangla] ; Article 23(28), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla] | Biosafety Guidelines of Bangladesh, 2007 [English] also to be followed. |

Compliance and Condition

| Sl. | Compliance | Reference |
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| 1 | Production and expiry date shall be clearly embossed on each container or package; not on the container or package by labelling it separately. Expired food items cannot be imported. | Article 23(19), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla] |
| 2 | If preservatives, additives and colours are used in preserved food, its level and details shall be mentioned and shall not be labelled separately but embossed. | Article 23(21), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla] |
| 3 | Any raw materials used in the preparation of food and beverages, which become unusable after a certain period, the date of production and expiry date shall be written or printed on the container or package of that goods. | Article 23(22), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla] |
| 4 | No radioactivity test shall be required for import of spices. | Article 23(13), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla] |

Tariff Rate

| Sl. | HS Code | Statistical Unit | CD | RD | SD | VAT | AIT | AT | TTI | Valuation |
|-----|----------|------------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|--------|------------|
| 1 | 09109910 | KGM | 25 | 3 | 0 | 15 | 5 | 5 | 58.60% | Ad valorem |

Preferential Benefits

| Sl. | Agreement | Applicable Country(ies) | Preferential Tariff | Compliances | Reference SRO No. & Date |
|-----|-----------|--|---|--|--|
| 1 | SAFTA | Afghanistan, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka | Applicable CD Rate 5% (Spices of Thymes Bay leaves and curry wrapped/canned upto 2.5kg; Exclusively applicable) | Compliances laid down in the SRO to be followed. | SRO No. 188-Law/2022/105/Customs, Date: 09 June 2022 |

Note

- Information in this Import Export Gateway is provided for ease of understanding, information, and trade facilitation only. It has no legal purpose.
- If no HS Code is designated against any specific name or description of any product in the Bangladesh Customs Tariff (BCT), the HS Code may not be found in this Gateway searching only by product name or description. To find the appropriate HS code for the concerned product, please consult BCT (including Section Note, Chapter Note, Heading Note, and Sub-heading Note), WCO Explanatory Notes to the Harmonized System (HS), and, if required, WCO Compendium of Classification Opinions, Alphabetical Index, and Classification Decisions of the WCO HS Committee.
- The list of documents and compliances against the HS Codes may not always be exhaustive; please consult the concerned legislation for complete information. Please follow the prohibitions & restrictions of import and export. Please also note that the import & export especially through land routes have some specific goods listed

against the concerned Customs Stations.

4. For the latest updated information on duty and tax benefits, the websites of the National Board of Revenue (NBR), Bangladesh Customs, and BG Press can also be regularly monitored.

5. Last updated on 13 March 2024.

Abbreviations

1. IP: Import Permit

3. RP: Regulatory Purpose

5. LC: Letter of Credit

7. PC: Phytosanitary Certificate

9. SAFTA: Agreement on South Asian Free Trade Area

2. CC: Customs Clearance

4. DAE: Department of Agricultural Extension

6. RO: Release Order

8. PQW: Plant Quarantine Wing

10. SRO: Statutory Regulatory Order

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