

# **IMPORT REQUIREMENTS**

(Excluding General Document)

## HS Code: 03081910 Sea cucumbers (Stichopus japonicus, ... : Other than Live, fresh or chilled Wrapped/ca

## **Product-Specific Documents**

| SI. | Documents   | Purpose | Agency/<br>Entity   | Stage   | Option | Validity                    | Applicab<br>ility               | Legislation  | Remarks   |
|-----|---|---------|---|---|--------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---|
| 1   | Import Permit (IP)                                    | CC, RP  | Departmen<br>t of<br>Fisheries<br>(DoF),<br>Fisheries<br>Quarantine<br>Wing | Before<br>importation                                 | Manual | Not<br>mentioned            | Consignm<br>ent/Lot<br>Specific | Sec. 9(1), 10(2),<br>Fish Quarantine<br>Act, 2018 [<br>Bangla]   |   |
| 2   | Declaration to Fisheries Quarantine<br>Officer        | RP      | Importer  | After<br>importation                                  | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific     | Sec. 16(1), Fish<br>Quarantine Act,<br>2018 [ <u>Bangla]</u>     |   |
| 3   | NOC for Import  | CC, RP  | Central or<br>Regional<br>Authority,<br>DoF [DG,<br>DoF; DD<br>(FIQC)]      | After<br>receiving<br>application<br>from<br>importer | Manual | Lot                         | Lot                             | Sec. 23(3),<br>FIQC Act, 2020<br>[ <u>Bangla]</u>                | Importer needs to apply<br>15 days prior to import. |
| 4   | Prior Declaration                                     | RP      | Importer  | Before<br>importation                                 | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific     | Sec. 24(2),<br>FIQC Act, 2020<br>[ <u>Bangla]</u>                |   |
| 5   | Salubrity Certificate                                 | CC, RP  | Competent<br>authority of<br>exporting<br>country                           | With the<br>consignme<br>nt<br>document               | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific     | Sec. 24(1),<br>FIQC Act, 2020<br>[Bangla]                        |   |
| 6   | Traceability Certificate                              | CC, RP  | Competent<br>authority of<br>exporting<br>country                           | With the<br>consignme<br>nt<br>document               | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific     | Sec. 24(1),<br>FIQC Act, 2020<br>[Bangla]                        |   |
| 7   | Halal Certificate                                     | CC, RP  | Competent<br>authority of<br>exporting<br>country                           | With the<br>consignme<br>nt<br>document               | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific     | Sec. 24(1),<br>FIQC Act, 2020<br>[ <u>Bangla]</u>                |   |
| 8   | Fit for Human Consumption<br>Certificate              | CC, RP  | Competent<br>authority of<br>exporting<br>country                           | With the<br>consignme<br>nt<br>document               | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific     | Article 23(2),<br>23(3)(Uma),<br>IPO 2021-24 [<br><u>Bangla]</u> |   |
| 9   | Physical and Laboratory Test<br>Report                | CC, RP  | Regional<br>Authority,<br>FIQC, DoF   | After Bill of<br>Entry<br>submission                  | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Lot<br>Specific                 | Sec. 25(1)(2),<br>FIQC Act, 2020<br>[ <u>Bangla]</u>             |   |
| 10  | Radioactivity Test Certificate from<br>Origin Country | CC, RP  | Competent<br>authority of<br>origin<br>country                              | Before<br>importation                                 | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific     | Article 23(1),<br>IPO 2021-24 [<br><u>Bangla</u> ]               |   |

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| 11  | Radioactivity Test Certificate   | CC, RP  | Banglades<br>h Atomic<br>Energy<br>Commissio<br>n (BAEC)  | After<br>importation                    | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific                      | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Article 23(1),<br>23(5)(Cha), IPO<br>2021-24 [ <u>Bangla</u><br>]  |  |
| 12  | If GMO/LMO, permission from<br>Ministry of Environment, Forest and<br>Climate Change                                     | RP      | Ministry of<br>Environme<br>nt, Forest<br>and<br>Climate<br>Change  | Before<br>importation                   | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific                      | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Rule 3,<br>Bangladesh<br>Biosafety Rules,<br>2012 [ <u>Bangla];</u><br>Article 23(28),<br>IPO 2021-24 [<br><u>Bangla]</u>  | Biosafety Guidelines of<br>Bangladesh, 2007<br>[English] also to be<br>followed. |
| 13  | If imported fish & other aquatic<br>animals listed in Schedule-1 & 2,<br>Licence for Agro-products importer              | RP      | Departmen<br>t of<br>Agricultural<br>Marketing<br>(DAM)   | Before<br>importation                   | Manual | 01 (one)<br>year from<br>the<br>issuance<br>date | Annual                      | Sec. 7(1),<br>Schedule-1 & 2,<br>Agricultural<br>Marketing Act,<br>2018 [ <u>Bangla];</u><br>Rule 6,<br>Agricultural<br>Marketing<br>Rules, 2021 [<br><u>Bangla]</u> |  |
| 14  | Formalin Free Certificate by<br>Exporting Country  | CC, RP  | Competent<br>authority of<br>exporting<br>country   | Before<br>importation                   | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific                      | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Article 23(31),<br>IPO 2021-24 [<br><u>Bangla]</u>   |  |
| 15  | Formalin Free Test Report  | CC, RP  | Departmen<br>t of<br>Fisheries<br>(DoF)   | After<br>importation                    | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific                      | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Article 23(32),<br>IPO 2021-24 [<br><u>Bangla]</u>   |  |
| 16  | For cured fish and fish products,<br>Test Report for harfmul antibiotic,<br>microorganism, heavy metal,<br>hormone, etc. | CC, RP  | Internation<br>ally<br>recocogniz<br>ed<br>accredited<br>lab or lab<br>of<br>importing<br>country<br>(Banglade<br>sh) | With the<br>consignme<br>nt<br>document | Manual | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific                      | Consignm<br>ent<br>Specific | Sec. 24(3),<br>FIQC Act, 2020<br>[ <u>Bangla]</u>  |  |

## **Compliance and Condition**

| SI. | Compliance   | Reference   |
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| 1   | Fish, fish products, beneficial organism and packing materials shall have to be imported through designated ports.   | Sec. 9(2), Fish<br>Quarantine Act,<br>2018 [ <u>Bangla]</u> |
| 2   | No fish and fish products prohibited by any provisions under this Act or<br>any other act, order or rules or any fish and fish products rotten,<br>contaminated, containing harmful chemicals, mixed with adulterants and<br>harmful substances shall be imported. | Sec. 22(1), FIQC<br>Act, 2020 [Bangla]                      |
| 3   | Production and expiry date shall be clearly embossed on each container<br>or package; not on the container or package by labelling it separately.<br>Expired food items cannot be imported.  | Article 23(19), IPO<br>2021-24 [ <u>Bangla]</u>             |
| 4   | If preservatives, additives and colours are used in preserved food, its label<br>and details shall be embossed on the container, label not to be pasted<br>separately.   | Article 23(21), IPO<br>2021-24 [ <u>Bangla]</u>             |
| 5   | 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<br>2021-24 [ <u>Bangla]</u>             |

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| 6   | For imported canned fish, manufacturing and expiry date and actual weight (net weight) shall be clearly embossed or computer printed in Bangla or English with indelible ink on the container and separately printed label shall not be pasted on the container. | Article 23(30), IPO<br>2021-24 [ <u>Bangla]</u>   |
| 7   | Quarantine conditions and provisions of the Fish Quarantine Act, 2018 shall be applicable.   | Article 25(29), IPO<br>2021-24 [ <u>Bangla]</u>   |
| 8   | If applicable, concerned provisions of Bangladesh Biosafety Rules, 2012<br>and Biosafety Guidelines of Bangladesh, 2007 are to be followed.  | Bangladesh<br>Biosafety Rules,<br>2012 [ <u>Bangla];</u><br>Biosafety<br>Guidelines of<br>Bangladesh, 2007 [<br><u>English]</u> |

#### Tariff Rate

| SI. | HS Code  | Statistical Unit | CD | RD | SD | VAT | AIT | AT | тті    | Valuation  |
|-----|----------|------------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|--------|------------|
| 1   | 03081910 | KGM              | 25 | 3  | 0  | 15  | 5   | 5  | 58.60% | Ad valorem |

#### Preferential Benefits

| SI. Agrement |       | Applicable Country(ies)  | Preferential Tariff   | Compliances                                      | Reference SRO No. &<br>Date                                |
|--------------|-------|--|-----------------------|--|--|
| 1            | SAFTA | Afghanistan, Bhutan, India,<br>Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan,<br>Sri Lanka | Applicable CD Rate 5% | Compliances laid down in the SRO to be followed. | SRO No. 181-<br>Law/2020/97/Customs,<br>Date: 30 June 2020 |

#### Note

1. Information in this Import Export Gateway is provided for ease of understanding, information, and trade facilitation only. It has no legal purpose.

2. 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.

3. 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. SAFTA: Agreement on South Asian Free Trade Area

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2. CC: Customs Clearance

 DoF: Department of Fisheries

6. SRO: Statutory Regulatory Order