IMPORT REQUIREMENTS

(Excluding General Document)

HS Code: 07097010 Spinach, Fresh Or Chilled, Wrapped/Canned upto 2.5 kg

Product-Specific Documents

SI.	Documents	Purpose	Agency/ Entity	Stage	Option	Validity	Applicab ility	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)	Consignm ent/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	Consignm ent Specific	Consignm ent 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	Consignm ent Specific	Consignm ent 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 conveyanc e	Manual	As mentioned in the PC	Consignm ent Specific	Sec. 10(2), Plant Quarantine Act, 2011 [Bangla English]	
5	Radioactivity Test Certificate	CC, RP	Competent authority of exporting country	Before importation	Manual	Consignm ent Specific	Consignm ent Specific	Article 23(1), 23(2), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]	
6	If from other than SAARC countries, Radioactivity Test Certificate	CC, RP	Banglades h Atomic Energy Commissio n (BAEC)	After importation	Manual	Consignm ent Specific	Consignm ent Specific	Article 23(1), 23(6), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]	
7	Licence for Agro-products importer	RP	Departmen t 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]	

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8	If GMO/LMO, permission from Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	RP	Ministry of Environme nt, Forest and Climate Change	Before importation	Manual	Consignm ent Specific	Consignm ent 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

Si.	Compliance	Reference
1	Provisions of Plant Quarantine Act, 2011 & Plant Quarantine Rules, 2018 are to be complied.	Article 25(29), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]
2	Any plant or plant product, beneficial organism, or packing material shall be imported into Bangladesh only through a designated point of entry.	Sec. 10(2), Plant Quarantine Act, 2011 [Bangla English]; Schedule- 5, Plant Quarantine Rules, 2018 [Bangla]

Tariff Rate

SI.	HS Code	Statistical Unit	CD	RD	SD	VAT	AIT	AT	TTI	Valuation
1	07097010	KGM	25	0	20	15	5	5	85%	Ad valorem

Duties and Tax Benefits

SI.	CPC	Duties and Tax Benefits	Compliances to Avail	Reference SRO No. and Date	Remarks
1		AIT: 0% (for import from Bhutan)	Compliances laid down in the SRO to be followed.	SRO No. 173-Law/Income Tax/2021, Date: 03 June 2021	

Preferential Benefits

SI.	Agrement Applicable Country(ies)		Preferential Tariff	Compliances	Reference SRO No. & Date
1		Bhutan	CD, VAT, SD & RD: 0%	Compliances laid down in the SRO to be followed.	SRO No. 56- Law/2013/2423/Customs, Date: 27 February 2013
2	SAFTA	Afghanistan, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka	Applicable CD Rate 5%	Compliances laid down in the SRO to be followed.	SRO No. 181- Law/2020/97/Customs, 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. 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. SRO: Statutory Regulatory Order

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