

national regulator for compulsory specifications

## **RE: REQUIREMENTS FOR IMPORTATION OF FISHERY PRODUCTS**

## 1. Obtaining import permits:

- 1.1) You will need to contact the Department of Trade and Industry to arrange for an Import permit. The contact person there will be: Mr Phillip Snyman - Tel: 012 394 3609/ Cell. 082 7721701
- 1.2) You will also need to contact the Fisheries Management Section of the Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries for an import permit.(Contact: "DAFF Customer Services " telephone 0860003474 or <u>AurielleD@daff.gov.za</u> )

## 2. Customs Import Entry :

- 2.1. After customs duty has been paid, the product must be detained for NRCS inspection.
- 2.2. The following documents must be forwarded to NRCS for the product to be inspected,
  - 2.2.1. Bill of Entry SAD 500
  - 2.2.2. Packing List
  - 2.2.3. Cold store or warehouse details where the product is.
- 2.3. The inspection and testing will take +- 10 days.
- 2.4. The product should comply with the requirements in 3 below.

## 3. Other requirements:

Pertaining to products to be inspected by the NRCS, compliance with the following Regulations and Specifications is required:

- 3.1. Requirements in terms of the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectant Act and Regulations (Act no.54 of 1972 with special reference to labeling requirements)
- 3.2. Compulsory Specifications in terms of the National Regulator for Compulsory Specifications Act (Act no. 5 of 2008), i.e. For:
  - 3.2.1. Canned Fish & Canned Marine Molluscs VC 8014
  - 3.2.2. Frozen Fish & Frozen Marine Molluscs VC 8017
  - 3.2.3. Frozen Prawns & Langoustines VC 8031
  - 3.2.4. Frozen Rock Lobsters and Frozen lobster product derived therefrom- VC 8020
  - 3.2.5. Canned meat VC 8019

Copies of above Compulsory Specifications are available on the NRCS website www.nrcs.org.za

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