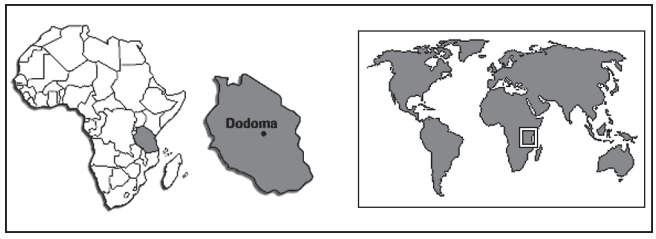
7.3. Import/Transit/Export Regulations

7.3.2. Countries Alphabetically Listed

Tanzania (TZ)
Amounts shown are expressed in United States Dollar (USD)



0. General Information

- IATA Area : 2
- Capital : Dodoma (DOD)
- Capital : GMT + 3
- Daylight Saving Time : Tanzania does not observe DST.
- ☎ Country Code : + 255
- Local Currency : Tanzanian Shilling (TZS)
- Bank Information : Closed on Saturday and Sunday.
- Public Holidays :

Date
01 Jan 2015
03 Jan 2015
12 Jan 2015
03 Apr 2015
06 Apr 2015
07 Apr 2015
26 Apr 2015
01 May 2015
07 Jul 2015
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08 Aug 2015
23 Sep 2015
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- **Cargo Claims Information**
  The following Protocols / Conventions have been ratified:
  1. Warsaw Convention (1929)
  2. Montreal Convention MC99 (1999)

  For further details, explanation and how to apply these Protocols / Conventions see paragraph 2.1.5. (General Rules) including list of countries.

1. Airport Information

1.1. Customs Airports
Mainland: Dar-es-Salaam - DAR, Kilimanjaro - JRO, Mwanza - MWZ.
Isle: Zanzibar - ZNZ.

1.2. Airport Facilities
Dar-es-Salaam
1.2.1. Loading/Unloading equipment
Forklift, conveyor belt, roller jack, high-loader.
1.2.2. Storage
Uncleared goods are stored at the airport.
After 21 days from day of arrival goods are transferred to Customs Warehouse.
Cold storage: Available between 2°C - 8°C.
Safe for valuables: Available.
Room for radio-active material: Not available.
1.2.3. Clearance
By consignee - personal belongings only, personal belongings and commercial goods by agents.
1.2.4. Customs hours
Monday through Friday 08.00 - 13.00 hrs. and 14.00 - 17.00 hrs, Saturday 08.00 - 12.00 hrs. Clearance outside Customs hours possible prior to arrangement of C 21 approved by Principal Collector of Customs for special goods e.g. perishables and valuables only and also by paying overtime to Customs.
1.2.5. Delivery
Delivery is only possible for perishable cargo, live animals and arriving goods for which an importer will have obtained customs clearance using a customs form C21.
1.2.6. (Re)-Forwarding
Possible to final destination by all means of transport but subject to payment of Customs security deposit equivalent to Customs taxes payable on the goods.

2. Import

2.1. General
2.1.1. Packing
All packages must be packed carefully. Merchandise packed in non-sterilised soil or peat moss is prohibited.
2.1.2. Marking
Goods bearing marks suggestive of British make, must state true country of origin.
2.1.4. Language on documents
English.
2.1.5. Other requirements
a. Physical address is mandatory as now house to house delivery exists.
b. Telephone number and email are now required.
c. FFM and FWB are mandatory for customs purposes
Importation
1. Tanzania Mainland: Certain goods are/can only be imported by confiners. It is advisable to check with the nearest Embassy of High Commission.
2. Zanzibar: All imports must be effected by or with the consent of State Trade Enterprise “BIZANJE”.

2.2. Documentary Requirements
1. Only original documents are acceptable for clearance through Customs.
2. Amendments of consignee’s name are not acceptable by Customs.

2.2.1. Commercial consignments
- Invoice to indicate names of supplier, names of importer, number of items purchased, value of each item, total value of goods, freight charges, signature of authorised officer of the supplying company and the rubber stamp of supplying company
- AY-1 Certificate for goods from EU-countries.
- Certificate of Value and Origin for all merchandise valued in excess of TZS 20.00.
- Import Licence
  a. Tanzania Mainland: Import Licence (incl. Foreign Exchange Permit) from Controller of Import, Dept. of Commerce and Industry, P.O. Box 2774, Dar es Salaam, for goods not falling under the Open General Licence.
  b. Zanzibar: Import Licence for all goods. Photostats not allowed.
- Import Declaration Forms:
  a. Tanzania Mainland: to be approved by the Commercial Bank prior to arrival of goods.
  b. Destination Inspection for all shipments applicable with a fee of 1.2% of the FOB.
  c. The Customs Value must be declared on the Airway bill Commercial.
  d. The invoice must be attached and forwarded together with the Airway bill (original 2).

  The above requirement will however not cover the following:
  1. Imports of gold, precious stones, precious metals, objects of arts, explosives and pyrotechnic products, implements of war, live animals, fresh chilled or frozen fruits and vegetables, fish or meat or eggs, scrap metals, current newspapers and periodicals, ammunition, weapons, household and personal effects including one used car.
  2. Supplies imported for the use of Diplomatic Missions, International Organizations to which Tanzania is a member.
  3. Commercial samples and goods returned to the country after repair.
  4. Goods entered for transit.
  5. Goods imported by Parcel Post or express courier provided they do not exceed USD 5.000 per individual consignment.
  6. Emergency supplies airlifted whose value does not exceed USD 10.000 per consignment as may be approved by the Authority from time to time.

Notes
1. All the IDFs covering goods stated on the list above will not be processed by Cotecna (it’s representative - TISCAN Ltd.). Therefore they must be presented for processing directly at TRA Custom.
2. Tanzania Revenue Authority reserve the right to amend the list above as it may deem appropriate. All parties concerned will be informed in due time.

2.2.2. Sample consignments
See 2.2.1.

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2.2.3. Gift consignments
2 Pro Forma Invoices specifying each article and its value. Gifts are subject to duties.
2.2.4. Unaccompanied baggage
Detailed declaration for Customs. Ministry of Commerce.

2.3. Restrictions
2.3.1. General
The Ground Handling Company at Dar es Salaam Airport has placed an embargo on the undermentioned shipments subject to the conditions attached:
1. Perishables including livestock - Interline uplift unless holding a confirmed onward booking and need no refrigeration.
2. CAO - in transit for Tanzania Domestic stations.

2.3.2. Live animals
Health Certificate, Veterinary permit, Inspection on arrival.
2.3.3. Plants and plant material
fruits and natural flower, seeds, soil and roots:
Plant Importation Permit from Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock. The permit must be sent to country of origin of the goods prior to arrival of the goods in the country. Country of origin of goods shall issue phytosanitary certificate which will come together with the goods.
2.3.4. Arms, ammunition and explosives
Police Import Licence, Police Withdrawal Permit, after receipt of these documents, the goods would be handed over to Tanganyika Arms, who are the confines, after Customs clearance. The goods will be collected by the importer or consignee from Tanganyika Arms or Mzinga Corporation.
2.3.7. Pharmaceutical and chemical products
Chemical Products:
Requires approval by Government Chemists.
2.3.8. Medicines and vaccines
Medicines Pharmaceuticals and vaccines:
Requires permit from Tanzania Food and Drug Authority prior to importation.
2.3.12. Foodstuffs
Requires permit from Tanzania Food and Drug Authority prior to importation.
2.3.15. Others
Spirits (except brandy), gin, jenever, liquors destined for Zanzibar: Certificate of Age stating that the beverages have been stored for at least two years.
Brandy: Certificate that it is fit for human consumption.
Radioactive Materials: Requires Import permit from Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission prior to arrival of goods.

2.4. Prohibitions
- White Phosphor: certain drugs and poisons; “immature spirits”.
- Foodstuffs containing cyclamate salt.

See also 2.1.1.

2.5. CHARGES
Notes:
- All Rates and Charges are TAX exclusive
- Rate is charged per gross kilo
- Charge is charged per Airway bill
- Documentation for export is charged where Airway bill fee if due Carrier. (Where AWB fee chargeable and is Due Agent- Documentation is not charged
- PER cargo rate is a rate per kilo per day and is charged whether the shipment goes into cold room or not. (It is not charged together with the handling charge for General cargo)

2.5.2. Handling

General cargo:	
Per kg. (Chargeable weight)	0.05
Minimum charge per consignment	10.00
Special cargo:	
1. Dangerous goods, per kg.	0.12
Minimum charge	20.00
2. Livestock (excluding day old chicks), per kg.	0.06
Minimum charge	15.00
3. Day old chicks, per kg.	0.05
Minimum charge	10.00
4. Valuable cargo, per kg.	0.09
Minimum charge	40.00
Val Security Surcharge	25.00
5. Human remains, per shipment	16.58
6. Airline Accountable Documents	0.00

2.5.4. Documentation

AWB documentation fee	6.24

2.5.6. Storage

● General cargo, per kg., per day	0.02
Minimum charge per AWB	10.00
● Valuable cargo, per kg., per day	0.09
Minimum charge per AWB	40.00
● Diplomatic Bags, per kg., per day	0.04
Minimum charge per AWB	10.00
● Dangerous goods, per kg., per day	0.09
Minimum charge per AWB	20.00
● Perishable Cargo Handling / Storage	
Per kg., per day (see notes 2.5.)	0.06

2.5.7. Disassembly
Break-bulk fees:

Per Master Air Waybill	13.30
Per House Air Waybill	3.33

2.5.10. Others

● Communication charges, per AWB	3.33
● Diplomatic mail bags, CAT A Handling, per AWB	5.54
● Concession fee (for airport Authority), per AWB	3.74
● C11 (Amendment charges) per AWB	30.00
● Cargo Security surcharge per AWB	22.00
● Equipment Charges per AWB	
51 - 500 kg., per AWB	10.00
501 - 5000 kg., per AWB	25.00
5001 and above, per AWB	40.00

4. Export

4.5. CHARGES
Notes:
- All Rates and Charges are TAX exclusive
- Rate is charged per gross kilo
- Charge is charged per Airway bill
- Documentation for export is charged where Airway bill fee if due Carrier. (Where AWB fee chargeable and is Due Agent- Documentation is not charged
- PER cargo rate is a rate per kilo per day and is charged whether the shipment goes into cold room or not. (It is not charged together with the handling charge for General cargo)

4.5.2. Handling

General cargo:	
Per kg. (Chargeable weight)	0.05
Minimum charge per consignment	10.00
Special cargo:	
1. Dangerous goods, per kg.	0.12
Minimum charge	10.00
2. Livestock (excluding day old chicks), per kg.	0.06
Minimum charge	9.98
3. Day old chicks, per kg.	0.05
Minimum charge	10.00
4. Valuable cargo, per kg.	0.09
Minimum charge	40.00
5. Human remains, per shipment	16.58
6. Airline Accountable Documents	0.00

4.5.4. Documentation

AWB cancellation fee	10.00
Documentation charge (see notes 4.5.)	6.24

4.5.6. Storage

● Export Cargo Storage, per shipment	10.00
● Newspapers	
Less than 10 kg., per AWB	2.42
11 - 50 kg., per AWB	3.03
Over 50 kg., same as General Cargo.	
● Perishable Cargo Handling / Storage	
Per kg., per day (see notes 4.5.)	0.06

4.5.10. Others

● Dangerous Goods Acceptance fee, per AWB	30.00
● Cargo Security surcharge per AWB	22.00
● Diplomatic mail bags, CAT A Handling, per AWB	5.54
● Security screening charges, per kg.	0.05
Minimum charge	10.00
● Storage of leftover shipments per pallet or dolly per day	40.00
● Loose leftover cargo per kg., per day	0.15
Minimum charge	10.00
● Weighing Scale charge, per kg.	0.12
Minimum charge	10.00

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