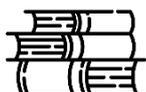




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What documents are relevant to indicate timber legality in Nigeria?

Key Documents for Nigeria

Below are listed examples of essential documents which can support the mapping of supply chains for traceability purposes or aid in mitigating legal non-compliance risks for timber supply chains within Nigeria.

A description of the document is attached to each image of its contents. It states to whom the document is applicable, who it has been issued and signed by, as well as important considerations when checking the validity of the document as part of the due diligence process.

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Business Registration Certificate (Certificate of Incorporation)

Applicable to: Business entities

Purpose and content: The business registration certificate is given to legally established companies. Contents of business registration license include name and address of the company, type of the certificate, investor, issuing date, business scope, business registration number, registration organization etc.

Holder of document: Timber Harvesters, Forest operators

Signature required by: The Registrar General

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the name the same as shown in the harvesting permit and Tax Clearance Certificate?
- Is the product type correct for the business?
- Is the certificate valid? (This can be confirmed through an online search of duly registered company in Nigeria) Available at:
<http://publicsearch.cac.gov.ng/comsearch/>

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.19. Custom regulation

Business Registration Certificate (Certificate of Incorporation)

Certificate number



**CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

Certificate of Incorporation

I hereby certify that

Name of the company

*is this day incorporated under the COMPANIES AND ALLIED
MATTERS ACT 1990 and that the Company is Limited By Shares.*

Given under my hand at Abuja this 16th day of July, 2015.



Name
Registrar - General

X 836827

Forest Compartment Allocation Fee Invoice

Applicable to: All Timber Harvesters in Forest Reserves and Free Areas

Purpose and content: A Forest Compartment Allocation Fee Invoice is the evidence of payment for the right to harvest in allocated forest compartments. It is also an important document for applying for a harvesting permit. Without a Forest Compartment Allocation Fee Invoice the harvesting permit cannot be issued and Concession would not be granted. The document includes name of owner of forest or forest land, account number, number of stumpage permit, amount paid, signature.

Holder of document: Timber Harvesters

Signature required by: Relevant State Forestry Department

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the name of the owner the same as that on the Harvesting Permit or Forest Compartment Allocation?
- Is the name the same as shown on the Vehicle Registration Invoice, i.e. the harvesting area from which the timbers are transported?
- Is the name the same as that shown in the Business Registration Certificate, i.e. Certificate of Incorporation?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.2. Concessions licenses
- 1.4. Harvesting permit

Forest Compartment Allocation Fee Invoice

Invoice Number

Payer ID

Paid By:

Address:

Amount: NGN 5,000.00 x Five Thousand Naira Only

Being: **"Number of Stumpage Permit"**

Agency:

Rev. Office:



**OYO STATE GOVERNMENT
REVENUE RECEIPT**

Invoice Number and date



Signature of Government official

Signature

To authenticate this receipt, Please visit the office of the State Accountant General Secretariat, Ibadan

OYO STATE GOVERNMENT

Account name:

Account Number:

Account Code:

Deposit type: Cash Cheque

Tax ID No.:

Name of Tax Payer or Agent:

Address:

Revenue Type:

Assessment No.:

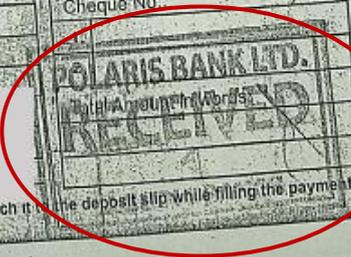
Period Covered:

Depositor's Tel.:

Amount in Words:

Forest Allocation

No. [Redacted]



SkreBank

Date: [Handwritten]

Branch:

CASH	5,000	K
N1000		
N500		
N200		
N100		
N50		
N20		
10		
N5		
Coins		
TOTAL	5,000	

Please collect a ticket for this payment. You will need to attach it to the deposit slip while filling the payment.

Stamp from the bank

Stamp from the bank

Block Permit

Applicable to: Timber harvesters in Forest Reserves

Purpose and content: A Block Permit (A Block Permit is essentially the same as a Harvesting Permit in Forest Reserve, but different terminologies are used in different states) is the evidence of right of use of Forest Reserves for timber harvesting purposes. The contents of a Block Permit include name of owner of forest allocated, Permit number, location of forest, species, area of forest, forest type, validity of the permit.

Holder of document: Timber Harvesters in Forest Reserves

Signature required by: Relevant State Forestry Department Provincial Forest Officer

Evidence limitations and weaknesses:

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the Permit still valid? (Compare the date on the permit with date of harvest)
- Is all relevant information included?
- Is the name of the owner the same as that on the invoice for payment of permit?
- Is the name the same as shown on the Vehicle Registration Invoice, i.e. the harvesting area from which the timbers are transported?
- Is the name the same as that shown in the Business Registration Certificate (i.e. Certificate of Incorporation)

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.2. Concession licenses
- 1.4. Harvesting permit

Block Permit

BLOCK PERMIT 001851

In accordance with _____
the _____
_____ is hereby authorised to enter _____
_____ Forest Reserve and to exploit the
species of tree therein in accordance with the conditions of the _____
Agreement.

Fees and royalties will be paid on all trees in accordance with clause _____
of the _____ Agreement and the _____ provisions of
the Declaration made by the _____ on the _____ day of _____

This authority will expire on the _____ day of _____, 198_____

Provincial Forest Officer,

GPA S203785 2,000 Fks 504

Timber Harvesting permit

Applicable to: All Timber Harvesters in Forest Reserves and Free Areas

Purpose and content: The harvesting permit is required prior to harvesting and provides evidence of harvesting according to prescribed guidelines. Permits are issued by the States' Forestry Departments. While harvesting timber, permit holders must follow the requirements on area, species, and measures stipulated in the Harvest Permit. Contents of the harvesting permit include permit code, name and address of permit holder, locality in which valid, expiration date, species, specification, rate, fees and royalties. Harvesting permits is valid for **one year** of harvesting and can be renewed yearly.

Holder of document: Timber harvesters

Signature required by: State Forestry Departments

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the harvesting permit up to date? (has to be valid for one year; or renewed)
- Has the signature been provided by the applicable authority?
- Do species correspond with the ones listed in transport documents?
- What are the species mentioned and are they the species being traded?
- Is the date of signature of the permit prior to the dates on transport documents?
- Are the traded volumes in line with authorized volumes?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.2. Concessions licenses
- 1.4. Harvesting permit

Timber Harvesting permit

DUPLICATE FORM 1



THE FORESTRY REGULATIONS

BOOK NO. _____ PERMIT $\frac{27}{1}$ 0005201
 REG. 33

PERMIT TO TAKE TIMBER

Name of Permit Holder.....

Address of Permit Holder.....

Locality in which Valid.....

This Permit is issued subject to the provision of the Forestry Law, and of the Regulations made thereunder for the time being in force in the area to which it relates. It is also subject to such special conditions (if any) as may be hereinafter set out and will expire on theday of , 20....

QUANTITY	SPECIFICATIONS	RATE (N)

GPIL T 8

N : k

FEES :
 ROYALTIES :
 TOTAL :

..... , 20....

.....ISSUING OFFICER

..... TITLE

.....LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Certificate of Occupancy

Applicable to: All private land purchased in Free Areas.

Purpose and content: A Certificate of Occupancy is the evidence of right of use of lands in Free Areas for any purpose (including Forests) usually for 99 years. The document includes name of owner of Land or Forest land, Location of Land or Forest, Area/ Size of Land or Forest, date of the certificate.

Holder of document: Private Landowners, Forest Owners, Timber Harvesters

Signature required by: The Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing

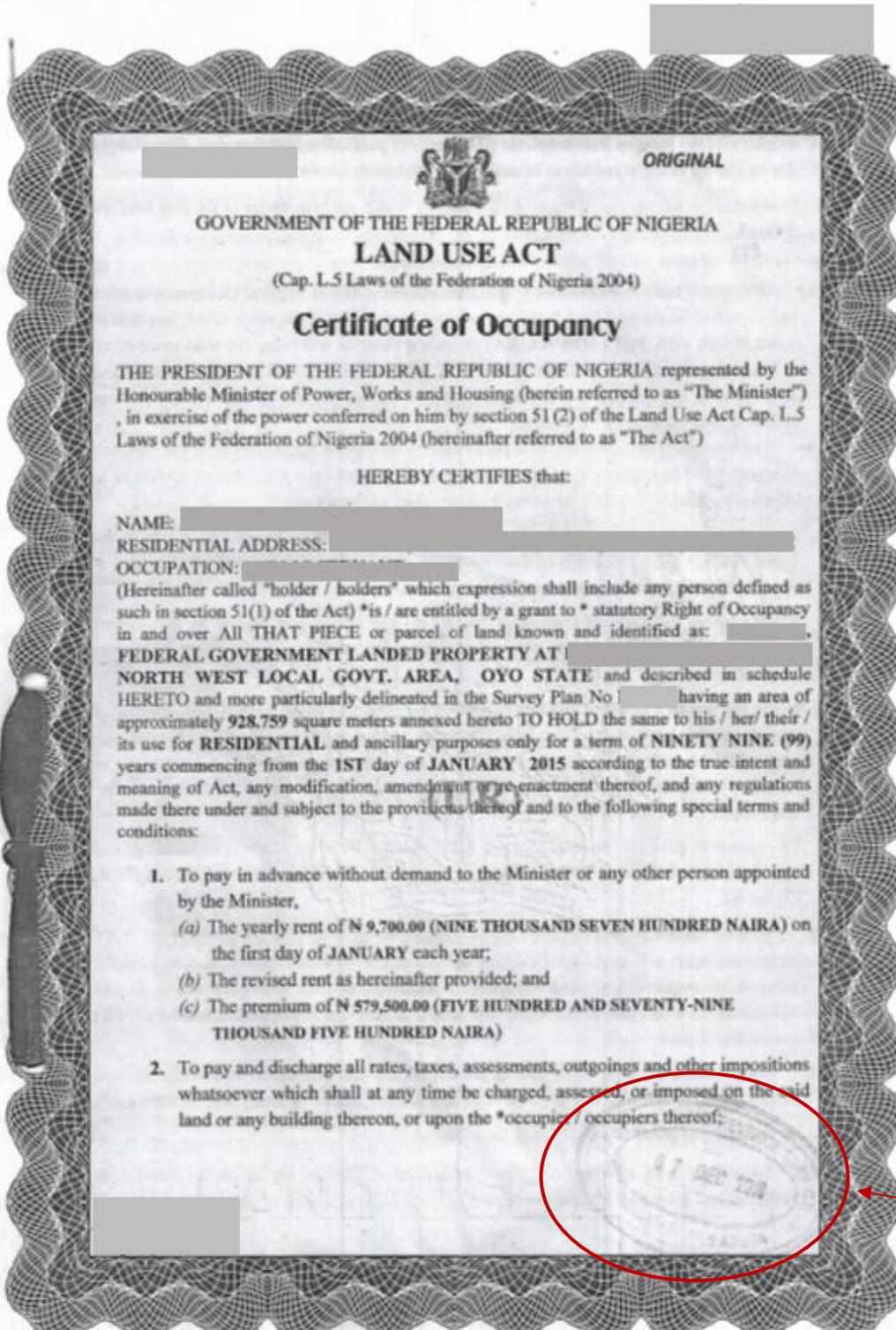
Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the name of the owner the same as that on the harvesting permit?
- Is the location on the certificate the same as indicated in the Timber Harvesting Permit?
- Is the name the same as that shown in the business registration certificate?
- Is the document stamped by the Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.1. Land tenure and management rights

Certificate of Occupancy



Stamp from The Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing

Harvesting Permit to take Protected species

Applicable to: All Timber Harvesters in Forest Reserves and Free Areas

Purpose and content of document: The permit is required prior to harvesting and provides evidence that protected species would only be harvested according to prescribed guidelines. Protected species can be harvested upon approval granted by the State's Forestry Department. Permits are issued by the Federal Ministry of Environment and the States' Ministry of Natural Resources. While harvesting timber, permit holders must follow the requirements on area, species, and measures stipulated in the Harvest Permit. Contents of the harvesting permit include name and address of permit holder, permit code, harvesting location, species, harvesting locality area and quantity, number of trees to be harvested, time period of harvesting, royalties payable and Name of authorized industry.

Holder of document: Timber harvesters

Document issued by: State Ministry of Natural Resources through the Forest Management and Utilization Department

Signature/seal required by: The Honorable Minister represented by the Issuing Officer

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the harvesting permit up to date?
- Is the date of signature of the permit prior to the dates on transport documents?
- What are the species mentioned and are they the species being traded?
- Are the traded volumes in line with authorized volumes?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.9. Protected sites and species

Harvesting Permit to take Protected species

Form 1



9001

ONDO STATE OF NIGERIA
MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
FOREST MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION DEPARTMENT

PERMIT TO TAKE PROTECTED TREES
(Forestry Regulations)

PERMIT

Name of Permit Holder.....
Address of Permit Holder.....
Locality of Tree.....
Royalties payable to.....

This permit is issued subject to the provisions of the Forestry Law, and of the regulations made there under for the time being in force in the area to which it relates. It is also subject to the special conditions as hereinafter set out and will expire on the.....day..... of 20.....

Number of trees	Species of trees	Minimum girth	Class (in Words)

₦ : K

Stumpage Fee
Regeneration Fee

TOTAL _____

..... Issuing Officer
..... Title
..... Division

(See back of permit for special condition)

Log Evacuation Schedule

Applicable to: Timber Harvesters, Timber Contractors, Timber transport industries

Purpose and content: The document provide evidence that the right requirements are followed prior timber transport. It helps to ensure that there is no mixing of legal with illegal timber during transportation. (It is the role of the Forestry officers to oversee extraction, but they are usually handicapped in carrying out that role due to lack of transport and logistical support). The contents of the schedule include Harvesting/Block permit number and date of issue, Forest compartment number, authority issuing the license, contractor name and address, species, particulars of species and specification, volume/quantity, validity period of the evacuation schedule, hammer number.

Holder of document: Timber Harvesters, Timber Contractors

Signature required by: Hammering guard and Inspecting Officer

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is it the correct date on the document?
- Is the holder the same as that given in the Timber Harvesting Permit?
- Is the volume equal to or lower than the Harvesting Permit volume?
- Is the species the same as described on the Harvesting Permit?
- Is the starting location for transport in the same region as the harvesting location?
- Is the end point the same as what the buyer claimed?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.17. Trade and transport

Log Evacuation Schedule



ODS FORM 11

011001

ONDO STATE OF NIGERIA
MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
FOREST MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION DEPARTMENT
LOG EVACUATION SCHEDULE

Concession Area: Forest Reserve/Locality

Compartment.....

Period of Stay.....

Block/Permit No and date of issue.....

Particulars of Trees/Logs.....

Shump No..... No. of Logs derived.....

Particulars of Logs	Length	Butt end	Top end
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			

Species.....

Hammering Guard

Inspecting Officer

Signature.....

Name in full.....

Hammer No.....

Date.....

Signature.....

Name.....

Rank.....

Remarks.....

Tax Clearance Certificate

Applicable to: Forestry industries

Purpose and content: According to Company Income Tax Act of Nigeria, Tax Clearance certificates are legally required as evidence of a company's tax payment and this is linked to the company's bank account. Contents of the tax clearance certificate are tax registration code, approval authority, name and address of taxpayer, business scope.

Holder of document: Forestry Operators, Timber Harvesters, Timber Contractors

Signature required by: Federal Inland Revenue Services (FIRS) Integrated Tax Offices (ITO) located in the relevant state.

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the name the same as that shown on the business registration certificate?
- Is the tax registration code the same as that shown on the invoice issued by the tax registration certificate holder?
- Is the certificate valid?
- Is the business scope the same as it is on the business registration certificate?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.7. Income and profit taxes

Tax Clearance Certificate


ORIGINAL COPY

TCC NO :
 TAX OFFICE :
 DATE : 07-Mar-2019

TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

Name of Company : PAYMENTE LIMITED. 

RC NO :
 Date of Incorporation :
 TIN :
 Effective Bussiness Address :

This is to certify that the above named company has rendered Income Tax, Value Added Tax, Information Technology Development Levy, Education Tax, as well as other tax returns and paid the assessed taxes in accordance with the relevant tax laws for all years including the past three assessment years as detailed hereunder:-

	Assessment Year 2016	*Nature	Assessment Year 2017	*Nature	Assessment Year 2018	*Nature
Turnover	68,980,000.00		99,653,000.00		131,352,000.00	
Assessable Profit/Loss	(81,663,000.00)		(45,352,000.00)		(26,431,345.00)	
Total Profit	(81,663,000.00)		(45,352,000.00)		(26,431,345.00)	
Tax Payable	.00	ii	70,121.67	iii	285,795.00	iii
Tax Paid-Companies Income Tax Receipt No Date			 		 	
Tax Outstanding(if any)	.00		.00		.00	
Petroleum Profit Tax Receipt No. & Date						
Tax Outstanding(if any)	.00		.00		.00	

*Nature of Assessment: (i) Best of Judgement (ii) Self Assessment (iii) Minimum Tax (iv) Pre-Operation Levy (POL) (v) Government (Additional Audit, Investigation) (vi) Others (Please Specify)

Source of Income : TRADING
 Other comments : COMM. BIZ OCT. 2013
 This Certificate Expires On : 31st of December 2019
 (Not Later than the end of the current year of Assessment)



Official Stamp Impression

State Coordinator
 Name & Rank Of Approving Officer

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Approval

Applicable to: All entities whose activities pose threats to the environment. Any activity that would impact an area of more than 50 hectares requires an EIA, both for Forest Reserves and Free Areas.

Purpose and content: The document is the notification of validation of environmental impact assessment by the competent authorities. The environmental impact assessment must be done prior to forest management activities being conducted.

Holder of document: Forest management entities or Timber Harvesters

Signature required by: The Director of Environmental Assessment Department on behalf of the Minister of Environment

Evidence limitations and weaknesses: The certificate does not guarantee that mitigation measures to reduce negative impacts on the environment are being implemented on the field.

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Has the ESIA been done before carrying on forest operations?
- Is the forest covered by the certificate in line with the of origin of timber?
- Is the certificate signed and stamped by competent authorities?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.10. Environmental Requirements

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Approval (1)


FEDERAL MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
Environment House
Independence Way South, Central Business District, Abuja - FCT.
Tel: 09-2911 337 . www.environment.gov.ng, ea-environment.org

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT DEPARTMENT

30 January, 2018

Company name and address

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) APPROVAL FOR THE PROPOSED STONE QUARRY PROJECT AT ITESI, ORILE-ILUGUN VILLAGE, ODEDA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA, OGUN STATE

Please refer to your letter dated 10th June, 2014 requesting for an EIA permit to embark on the above project.

2. Following the successful conclusion of the evaluation of the project's EIA report, I am directed to convey the Ministry's **EIA Approval** for the project subject to the following conditions.

- a. The approval covers drilling, blasting, excavation and crushing of stone aggregate on 0.4km² land area within **Location** Government Area, Ogun State.
- b. **Company name** shall ensure that project implementation is in line with national and international best practices.
- c. **Company name** shall implement energy efficiency measures during operation in line with the stipulations of Nigeria's Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the "Paris Agreement" within the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
- d. **Company name** shall ensure that abandoned burrow pits are backfilled and re-vegetated throughout the project's lifespan.
- e. **Company name** shall ensure safe storage of explosive and handled by well trained personnel throughout the project's lifespan.
- f. **Company name** shall put in place Occupational Health and Safety Management Plan, Emergency response and Chemical Spill Contingency Plan throughout the project's lifespan.
- g. **Company name** shall establish adequate conservation areas/greenbelt as carbon sink. This shall be maintained throughout the project's lifespan.
- h. **Company name** I shall **ensure** that critical ecosystem within the acquisition and cultural heritages sites are protected in line with National and International best practices.

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Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Approval (2)

Continuation

- i. [Company name] shall ensure that buffer zones are created to prevent damage to the unique ecosystem within the project concession.
- j. [Company name] shall ensure safety measures are put in place and caution signages placed at strategic areas within the project location.
- k. [Company name] shall develop and sign a Community Development Agreement (CDA) with the project's host community to be approved by the Ministry of Mines and Steel Development (MMSD). Evidence of approval shall be forwarded to the Federal Ministry of Environment.
- l. [Company name] shall develop and implement an Environmental Protection and Rehabilitation Programme (EPRP) for the project to be approved by the Ministry of Mines and Steel Development (MMSD). Evidence of the approval shall be forwarded to the Federal Ministry of Environment.
- m. [Company name] shall sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the host communities. This shall be witnessed by relevant regulatory agencies.
- n. [Company name] shall ensure continuous consultations with the project's host communities, relevant regulatory authorities at Federal, State, Local Government levels, and other stakeholders throughout the lifespan of the project.
- o. [Company name] shall put in place an adequate decommissioning and abandonment plan for the project.
- p. The Ministry in collaboration with other regulatory authorities shall carry out EIA Impact Mitigation Monitoring (IMM), Environmental Audits, Post Impact Assessment and Compliance Monitoring on the project.
- q. There shall be full implementation of an Environmental Management System (EMS) for the project.
- r. [Company name] shall publish the EIS of the project in a national newspaper on conclusion of the EIA project.

3. The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Certificate shall be issued in due course.
4. Congratulations.


[Name of the Director]
Director, Environmental Assessment Dept.
for: Honourable Minister.



Vehicle for Timber Transportation Registration Invoice

Applicable to: All operators in the Timber Processing Industry

Purpose and content: Trees felled have to be transported from the forests to points of use. This document is required to ensure that illegal or unregistered vehicles do not enter the forest reserves or areas. This is to curb mixing of legal with illegal timber during transportation, however, monitoring by forestry officials is low due to lack of logistical support

Holder of document: Transportation entities responsible for the transport of the timber, Timber Harvesters

Signature required by: State Forestry Department, Director of Forestry

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is it the correct date on the document?
- Is the holder the same as that given in the harvesting permit?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.17. Trade and transport

Letter of Support for Export

Applicable to: All Timber Exporters

Purpose and content: This serve as an approval from the Federal Ministry of Environment for the export of processed and semi-processed wood products. This document contains the requirements for the product to be exported, the minimum allowable dimensions and the validity of the Support, which is 12 months.

Holder of document: Timber Harvesters and processors, Timber Exporters

Signature required by: Minister of Environment

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the holder the same as that given in the Timber Harvesting permit, Business Registration Certificate and Timber processing permit?
- Is it signed by the Minister of Environment?
- Is the document still valid (expiration date shall be indicated)?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.19. Custom regulation

Letter of Support for Export



FEDERAL MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
HEADQUARTERS, MABUSHI, ABUJA.

Ref No. [REDACTED] Date: 28th July, 2017

Name and address of the company
[REDACTED]

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR EXPORT OF PROCESSED AND SEMI-PROCESSED WOOD PRODUCTS.

I am directed to refer to your application dated 19th July, 2017 for export of various sizes of processed and semi-processed wood products and to convey Honourable Minister of Environment's approval, for the export of up to 15,000 CBM of the various sizes of processed wood and under the conditions listed below:

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE DIMENSIONS

- (i) Length 280mm - 3600mm
- (ii) Width 35mm- 350mm
- (iii) Thickness 6mm- 150mm

2. The support is valid for 12 months, after which a new one is applied for.
3. The products must undergo full machine process and shall be inspected at the port of export by the wood inspectorate unit of this Department and pre-shipment inspection documents obtained. All records of export are to be made available to our office at the port of export.
4. You are advised to adhere strictly to these sizes and volume (CBM) specified by our guidelines as deviation will attract necessary penalty that may include suspension or withdrawal of our support.
5. This support expires 27th July, 2018.


Osa Euse T.M
For: Honourable Minister of Environment

Bill of Lading (B/L)

Applicable to: Business Entities who export timber to other countries

Purpose and content: A Bill of Lading (B/L) is a legal document that serves to ensure that the shipper receives payment for the goods exported, and the consignee or importer receives goods ordered. In Nigeria, the bill of lading is a transport document that must be presented to the Nigerian Customs Services for customs clearance for export.

As a receipt, the bill of lading serves to certify to the shipper by the carrier (transporter) of goods or consignment that such goods are received and confirmed and as document of title (proof of ownership of goods). In other words, it means that the transporter has received and confirmed the goods and has agreed to deliver the said goods to destination of interest. Hence the bill of lading is usually issued by the carrier to the shipper and made available to the importer for clearance purposes. The importer in turn must make the bill of lading available to the transporter company at destination locality before cargo carriage.

The contents include the following; Bill of lading number, Place and Date of issuance, Booking number, Export reference, Consignor's name and address, Importer or consignee's name and address, Carrier or transporter's detail, Ocean vessel name/voyage number, Port of loading, Delivery port, Container number and seal, Container size, Total number of containers, Description of packages and goods, Quantity, Gross weight, Measurement, Signature of carrier, Dates of departure and arrival, Signature of consignee.

Holder of document: Timber exporters

Evidence limitations and weaknesses: This document is not sufficient to prove that export procedures have been implemented.

Signature required by: Customs Officer

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the name the same as on the business registration certificate?
- Does it contain all required information?
-

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.19. Custom regulation

Bill of Lading (B/L) (1)

Safmarine

BILL OF LADING FOR OCEAN TRANSPORT OR MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT

SCAC: SAFM
B/L No. [REDACTED]

Shipper: [REDACTED]
Booking No. [REDACTED]

Export references: [REDACTED]
Svc Contract: 297112395

Onward inland routing (Not part of Carriage as defined in clause 1. For account and risk of Merchant): [REDACTED]

Consignee (negotiable only if consigned "to order", "to order of" a named Person or "to order of bearer")
[REDACTED]
Notify Party (see clause 22): SAME AS CONSIGNEE

Vessel (see clause 1 + 19): [REDACTED]
Voyage No.: [REDACTED]
Place of Receipt: Applicable only when document used as Multimodal Transport B/L. (see clause 1)

Port of Loading: Apapa
Port of Discharge: Haiphong
Place of Delivery: Applicable only when document used as Multimodal Transport B/L. (see clause 1)

PARTICULARS FURNISHED BY SHIPPER

Kind of Packages; Description of goods, Marks and Numbers. Container No. (Seal No.)	Weight	Measurement
[REDACTED]	23000.000 KGS	20.0000 CBM

Bill of Lading (B/L) (2)

Above particulars as declared by Shipper, but without responsibility of or representation by Carrier (see clause 14)

Freight & Charges	Rate	Unit	Currency	Prepaid	Collect
Carrier's Receipt (see clause 1 and 14). Total number of containers or packages received by Carrier. 1 container					
Number & Sequence of Original B/Ls. 2/THREE	Place of Issue of B/L	Date of Issue of B/L 2018-09-06	<p>SHIPPED, as far as ascertained by reasonable means of counting, in apparent good order and condition unless otherwise stated herein, the total number or quantity of Containers or other packages or units indicated in the box entitled "Carrier's Receipt" for carriage from the Port of Loading to the Place of Receipt, if mentioned above to the Port of Discharge or the Place of Delivery, if mentioned above, such carriage being always subject to the terms, rights, duties, provisions, conditions, exceptions, limitations, and liabilities herein (INCLUDING ALL THOSE TERMS AND CONDITIONS ON THE REVERSE HEREOF NUMBERED 1-26 AND THOSE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONTAINED IN THE CARRIER'S APPLICABLE TARIFF) and the Merchant's attention is drawn in particular to the Carrier's liability in respect of an deck storage (see clause 10) and the carrying vessel (see clause 18). Where the bill of lading is non-negotiable the Carrier may give delivery of the Goods to the named consignee upon reasonable proof of identity and without requiring surrender of an original bill of lading. Where the bill of lading is negotiable, the Merchant is obliged to surrender one original, duly endorsed, in exchange for the Goods. The Carrier accepts a duty of reasonable care to check that any such document which the Merchant surrenders as a genuine and original bill of lading, if the Carrier complies with this duty, it will be entitled to deliver the Goods hereunder and it is hereby agreed that the Merchant, in accepting this bill of lading, such delivery discharging the Carrier's delivery obligations. In accepting this bill of lading, any local customs or privileges to the contrary notwithstanding, the Merchant agrees to be bound by all Terms and Conditions stated herein whether written, printed, stamped or incorporated on the face or reverse side hereof, as fully as if they were all signed by the Merchant.</p> <p>IN WITNESS WHEREOF the number of original Bills of Lading stated on this face have been signed and wherever one original Bill of Lading has been surrendered all others shall be void.</p>		
Declared Value (see clause 7.3)	Shipped on Board Date (Local Time) 2018-08-23				

Signed for the Carrier Maersk Line A/S trading as Galmarine



Pre-shipment certificate

Applicable to: Business Entities who export timber to other countries

Purpose and content: A major prerequisite for export of log is the issuance of a pre-shipment certificate from The Federal Ministry of Environment located at the Exit points. This is given after the pre-shipment inspection has been carried out.

The contents of the pre-shipment certificate include Certificate number, Date of issuance, Container number (s), Contents of the container, Source/ State, Destination, Wood species/ Details, Shipping company, Exporter's name and address, Forwarding agent's name and address and the Issuing Officer's Name and Signature.

Holder of document: Timber exporters

Evidence limitations and weaknesses: This document is not sufficient to prove that export procedures have been implemented.

Signature required by: The Director of Forestry, Federal Ministry of Environment

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the name the same as on the business registration certificate?
- Does it contain all required information?
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Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.19. Custom regulation

Pre-shipment certificate



FEDERAL MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
Federal Department of Forestry

Lagos Zonal Office: Games Village, Off Bode Thomas Street, Surulere, Lagos.

PRE-SHIPMENT CERTIFICATE. No 006647

Date: _____

Container Nos: _____

(To be cleared after examination as processed or semi-processed wood / Charcoal)

Content: _____ Source/State _____

Destination: _____ Wood Species _____

Shipping Co: _____

Exporter's Name & Address: _____

Forwarding/Agent's Name/Phone Nos: _____

Issuing Officer's Name & Sign: _____

Export Registration Certificate

Applicable to: Business Entities who export timber to other countries

Purpose and content: A major prerequisite for export of log is the issuance of an Export Registration Certificate from The Nigerian Export Promotion Council. No export can be done without duly registering with the Nigerian Export Promotion Council. It does not contain information about taxes paid, it just shows the Business entity is duly registered and permitted to export.

Holder of document: Timber exporters

Evidence limitations and weaknesses: This document is not sufficient to prove that export procedures have been implemented.

Signature required by: The Director of the Nigerian Export Promotion Council.

Key considerations when checking the document:

- Is the name the same as on the business registration certificate?
- Does it contain all required information?
- Is it still valid?

Timber Legality Risk Assessment indicator which this document is relevant to:

- 1.19. Custom regulation

Export Registration Certificate



The image shows a green-bordered certificate from the Nigerian Export Promotion Council (NEPC). At the top center is the NEPC logo, which consists of a stylized globe with the letters 'NEPC' and the text 'NIGERIAN EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL' below it. The main title of the certificate is 'EXPORTERS' REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE' in bold, uppercase letters. Below this, a cursive phrase reads 'This is to certify that'. A white rectangular box redacts the name of the exporter. Below the box, the text 'is a registered exporter with the' is written in cursive. In the center of the certificate is a smaller version of the NEPC logo. Below the logo, the text 'NIGERIAN EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL' is printed in bold, uppercase letters. The date of issuance is given as 'Friday 17 of August 2018'. The validity period is 'Valid till 22/08/2020'. The signature line is labeled 'At:' and has a white box redacting the signature. Below the signature line is the label 'RE No.' followed by a white box redacting the registration number. In the bottom left corner, there is a large black ribbon seal. In the bottom right corner, there is a signature and a white box redacting the name of the Executive Director / CEO.

NEPC
NIGERIAN EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

EXPORTERS' REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that

Name [Redacted]

is a registered exporter with the

NEPC
NIGERIAN EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

NIGERIAN EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

Given on this date: Friday 17 of August 2018

Valid till 22/08/2020

At: [Redacted]

RE No. [Redacted]

[Redacted Signature]

Executive Director / CEO

About LIFE Legal Wood

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