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EXPORT PROCEDURES FOR HIDES AND SKINS





Legal documentation Requirements for Export

1. Register company with Certificate of Registration.
2. Obtain and VAT and PIN Number from KRA.
3. Obtain a business permit from relevant County Council.
4. Obtain a Certificate of Origin from Kenya Revenue Authority.
 - The Certificate of Origin to obtain preferential treatment.
5. Logistics documents required are:
 - Original commercial invoice.
 - A detailed itemized packing list.
 - Bill of Lading / Airway Bill for the shipment.
 - All the other certificates and documents as per specific instructions of the buyer.

Duties for export of Hides:

1. Exporting from Kenya – Export Duty Levy on hides. (*check on the latest duty applied from KRA*)
2. This Export Duty Levy rate must be verified by KRA before shipment. The duty is meant to protect the leather industry in Kenya and to promote value addition to the sector.
3. Other charges will be advised by the buyer.

Department of Veterinary Services provide more information and support on technical requirements of proper handling hides, how to reduce damage on the hides, proper grading of the hides and other handling standards.

The Kenya Leather Development Council facilitates the participation of leather sector players in marketing fora to connect with consumers at local, regional and international platforms. The Council also liaises with development partners to mobilize resources for the development of the leather sector.

How to contact the buyer and fulfill the requirements

1. Discuss with the Buyer on specific requirements in terms of the quantity / how to package / how to label the shipment.
2. Must contact the buyer directly to find out specific requirements.

