

Implementation of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme

Import / Export of Rough Diamonds

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1 Introduction

Council Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 provides for controls by competent authorities in the implementation of the Kimberley Process Certification (KPC) Scheme within the EU. In Ireland, the competent authority with responsibility for this Regulation is the Kimberley Process and Responsible Minerals Authority (KPRMA) of the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications. Revenue's Customs Service acts in an agency capacity at points of import and export in ensuring compliance with the KPC Scheme.

2 Legislation

EU level [Council Regulation \(EC\)2368/2002](#)

National Legislation SI 533 of 2019 European Communities (Kimberly Process)(Trade in Rough Diamonds) Regulations 2019

The import / export of rough diamonds is subject to conditions of the KPC Scheme.

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3 Action by Customs

Where a Customs Declaration is presented for the import or export of goods under the above referenced CN codes the following procedures apply:

1. Check that the KPRMA has approved the import or export of the consignment(s) in question. This notification will arrive by email from the KPRMA to generic Customs email addresses at Shannon and Dublin Airports, the details of which have been provided to the KPRMA.
2. The KPC Scheme requires that, at either import or export, the diamonds be presented in tamper resistant containers with unbroken seals. Check that this is the case.
3. The Kimberley Certificate as approved by the KPRMA must be physically presented to Customs at the time of declaration of the consignment for importation or exportation.

Where the consignment meets all of the above conditions the goods can be cleared. Where it is found that any of the above conditions have not been met the consignment should be detained and Prohibitions & Restrictions Unit contacted.

In the case of imports that have been cleared, the Kimberley Certificate must be removed from the consignment and sent by registered post to the KPRMA at the following address:

Kimberley Process and Responsible Minerals Authority,

Department of the Environment, Climate & Communications,
29-31 Adelaide Road,
Dublin.
D02 X285

Phone: 01-6782000

4 Risk Information Form (RIF)

The RIF should be used by staff to inform Customs authorities of other Member States of any significant irregularities which have come to light in respect of the importation of products covered by these Regulations. For further information staff should contact:

Customs Risk Management Unit

Email: Customsriskunitgroup@revenue.ie

5 Enquiries

Further enquiries can be directed to the Prohibitions & Restrictions Unit at:

Email: rcpr@revenue.ie