



Rwanda: Guidelines for AGOA Visa Application and Processing

First stage: Obtain a Certificate of Domestic Company or Investment Certificate from Rwanda Development Board, office of registrar general (required once).

To do this, follow this link <http://www.rdb.rw/online-services.html>

Second Stage: Application for Textile Certificate of origin and Visa (required for every shipment)

To do this:

Submit the below documents to Rwanda Revenue Authority, Customs department:

- Pick, fill and submit Certificate of Origin blank forms from Rwanda Revenue Authority (RRA) rule of origin office. Costs 3 000 Rwf.
- Export declaration forms completed obtain from Export department of Rwanda Revenue Authority
- Invoice to buyer (original)
- Packing list

For new exporters, Officials from Customs department will have to visit production facilities and inspect the raw materials used if they comply with AGOA Rules of Origin.

Third stage: Issuance of AGOA visa by RRA (required for every AGOA shipment)

RRA Customs Services Department will receive and review application documents from the exporting company and process them for issuance of an AGOA visa stamp.

RRA will stamp the original invoice with an AGOA visa. Both documents will then be signed by RRA Official handling the consignment.

Time and cost for processing of AGOA visa

Time: maximum 2 hours

Cost 3000Rwf per consignment