MDS - G18

Guidance on Importation Requirements for Medical Devices and Non-Medical IVDs Intended for Educational or Non-Clinical Research Purposes

> Version Number: 2.0 Version Date: 23/5/2018

> > SFDA

Table of Content

Introduction	
Purpose	3
Scope	
Background	
Requirements	4
Required Documents	
Flowchart	8
Annexes	9
Annex (1): Application Form for Importation of Research Products	10
Annex (2): Attestation Form for Beneficiaries of Research Products	
Annex (3): Attestation Form for Importers of Research Products	12
Annex (4): Definitions & Abbreviations	13



Introduction

Purpose

The purpose of this guidance is to clarify the requirements for importation of medical devices and non-medical IVDs intended for educational or non-clinical research purposes.

Scope

- A. This guidance is applicable to the following products imported for educational or non-clinical research purposes:
 - Medical devices (including IVDs)
 - Non-medical IVDs
 - Chemicals used in medical devices applications

excluding the following:

- Radioactive materials
- Precursors
- Products containing any of the components identified in "Chemical Weapons Convention".
- B. This guidance is applicable to the following parties:
 - Importers
 - Healthcare providers
 - Educational facilities and research centers
 - Researchers

SFDA

Background

In accordance with "Medical Devices Interim Regulation" issued by the SFDA Board of Directors decree No. (1-8-1429) and dated 29/12/1429 H, stipulating that medical devices may be placed on the market and/or put into service only if they comply with the applicable provisions of the Medical Devices Interim Regulation, as signified by the SFDA issuing the manufacturer with a written marketing authorization. Medical devices that may access KSA for the purposes of educational or non-clinical research are exempt from marketing authorization requirements according to the requirements specified in this guidance document.

And in accordance with "The Law of Saudi Food and Drug Authority" issued by the Royal Decree No.(M/6) and dated 25/1/1428 H, SFDA/MDS undertakes the responsibility of issuing importation license and shipment clearance for non-medical IVDs imported for educational or non-clinical research purposes according to the requirements specified in this guidance document.

Requirements

General	1	Medical devices and non-medical IVDs intended for educational or non-clinical research purposes shall NOT be imported unless an importation license is obtained from SFDA/MDS.	
Prerequisite	2	Before applying for an importation license, importers shall be in possession of following: - Establishment National Registry Number issued by SFDA' MDNR (excluding researchers) - MDEL for importation activity (excluding healthcare providers, educational facilities, research centers, establishments that are not involved in an activity of medical devices and researchers)	
Submitting to SFDA	3	Applicant shall submit the "Application Form for Importation of Research Products (Annex1)" electronically via "Research Product Importation License" on the SFDA's website, and provide "Required Documents" specified in section (A), in addition to (B) if the product contains chemical substances under MOI control.	
Approval Process for Importation License	4	 A. For products do not contain chemical substances under MOI control; once satisfied, SFDA issues an importation license then send it via email. B. If the product contains chemical substances under MOI control, SFDA/MDS will refer the request to the MOI represented by the HCIS (Central Licensing Unit) including its opinion, and provide the reference number to the applicant for the follow up. The HCIS will be responsible for issuing importation license and shipment clearances. 	
Shipment Clearance at the Ports of Entry	5	 A. For the purpose of shipment clearance at the ports of entry, applicant shall submit documents specified in section (C) of "Required Documents" according to "Guidance on Requirements of Shipments Clearance (MDS-G21)". If the product contains chemical substances under MOI control, the shipment clearance requires approval from the SFDA and HCIS. B. Each shipment that requires specific temperature for transportation and/or storage, according to the manufacturer instructions, shall contain temperature indicator activated from the time of shipping. 	

Responsibility of
Importers and
Beneficiaries

- A. The beneficiaries shall abide by the provisions of "Attestation Form for Beneficiaries of Research Products" (Annex 2).
- B. The importers shall abide by the provisions of "Attestation Form for Importers of Research Products" (Annex 3).

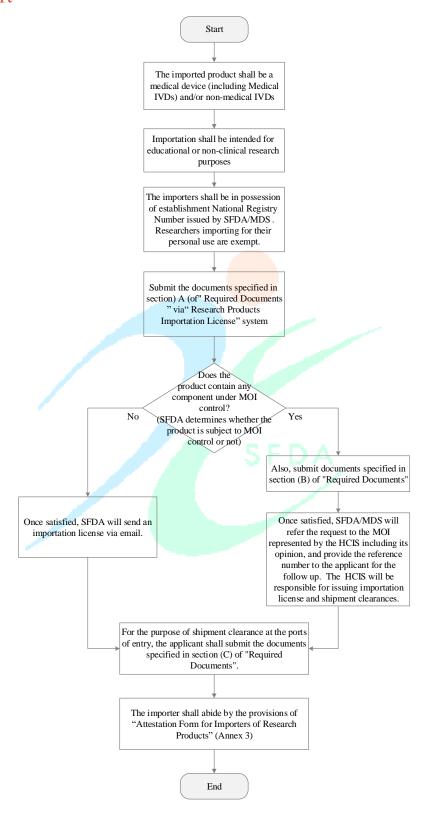


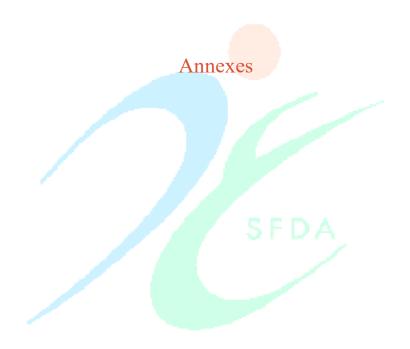
Required Documents

	Required Documents	Notes			
A. F	A. Required Documents for Importation License				
1	Copy of labelling	 It includes: affixed label on the product or any of its containers or wrappers instructions for use (IFU) 			
		Labelling shall indicate the product is for educational or non-clinical research use only			
		- If the labelling does NOT indicate the product is for educational or non-clinical research use only, the "Attestation Form for Beneficiaries of Research Products" (Annex 2) shall be provided.			
2	Copy of the Bill Of Lading (B/L) or the Air Waybill (AWB)	- If any			
3	Copy of Purchase Invoice	- If not available, Pro Forma shall be provided			
		- It shall be stamped by the concerned authority for trade in the country of origin (if applicable)			
		It shall include detailed description of the shipment, quantity, expiration date (if applicable), model/part number and lot/serial number			
4	Copy of the Country of Origin Certificate	- If any			
5	Copy of the Purchase Order (PO) from the beneficiary	It is NOT required if the product is imported by the beneficiary			
		It is NOT required if the labelling indicates the product is for educational or non-clinical research use only			
6	Attestation Form for Beneficiaries of Research Products	- See <u>Annex (2)</u> , click <u>here</u> for printable and editable version			
		It is required if the labelling does NOT indicate the product is for educational or non-clinical research use only			
		- It shall be signed and stamped			

7	Attestation Form for Importers of Research Products	 See <u>Annex (3)</u>, click <u>here</u> for printable and editable version It shall be signed and stamped 	
8	Copy ID / Iqama	- It is required if the product is imported for the researcher's personal use	
C	B. Additional Required Document if the Product Contains Chemical Substances Subject to the Control of the MOI (SFDA determines whether the product is subject to the control of the MOI or not)		
9	Chemical details in terms of weight or volume	 It shall be issued by the manufacturer Measuring unit shall be in Kilogram or Liter 	
10	Application and attestation forms required, for chemicals importation, by MOI that are specified in Article Two of "Regulation for Law of Chemicals Import and Management"	 The attestation of responsible person for chemical warehouse shall contain his contact information They shall contain storage warehouse location (Sketch) 	
(.	C. Required Documents for Shipment Clearance (For Products that do NOT Contain Chemical Substances Subject to the Control of the MOI)		
11	Copy of Importation License	- It shall be valid	
12	Copy of Purchase Invoice	 It shall be authenticated by the chamber of commerce in the country of origin It shall contain the invoice number, manufacturer's name, products name, quantity, and unit price 	
		 Model/part numbers and lot/serial numbers shall be indicating in the invoice or packing list 	
13	Bill Of Lading (B/L) or the Air Waybill (AWB)		

Flowchart





Annex (1): Application Form for Importation of Research Products نموذج طلب استيراد منتجات بحثيت (يعبأ إلكترونياً عبر موقع الهيئة)

, 65 3	أ. بيانات المستورد
🗖 باحث 🗖 جامعة/كلية/مركز بحثي 🗖 مؤسسة/شركة تجاربة	نوع المستورد
🗌 دواء 🔲 أجهزة طبية 🔲 أخرى	نوع أذن الاستيراد
	رقم السجل الوطني للمنشأة MDNR
	(لا ينطبق في حال كان المستورد باحث)
	التاريخ
	رقم السجل التجاري(ينطبق فقط في حال
	كان المستورد مؤسسة/شركة تجارية)
	رقم رخصة المنشأة MDEL
	(إن وجد، ينطبق فقط في حال كان
	المستورد مؤسسة/شركة تجارية تزاول
	نشاط يتعلق بالأجهزة والمنتجات الطبية)
	هاتف
	فاكس (إن وجد)
	البريد الإلكتروني
	العنوان
	صندوق البريد (ينطبق فقط في حال كان
	المستورد مؤسسة/شركة تجارية)
	اسم الشخص المفوض
	(لا ينطبق في حال كان المستورد باحث)
S F	رقم الهوية
	وسيلة الاتصال
	ب. بيانات الشحنة
	مكان التخزين دولة المنشأ
	مكان تركيب الجهاز
	الجهة المستفيدة
	الجهة الصانعة
	الجهة المصدرة
	شركة الشحن
	منفذ الوصول
	رقم فاتورة الشراء
	تاريخ فاتورة الشراء
	ج. بيانات المنتجات
	اسم البند
	رقم التشغيلة
	تاريخ انتهاء الصلاحية
	الكمية
	وحدة الكمية
	تاريخ الإنتاج

Annex (2): Attestation Form for Beneficiaries of Research Products نموذج التعهد الخاص بالمستفيدين من المنتجات البحثيت

(يطبع على الورق الرسمي الخاص بالمستفيد) Click <u>here</u> for printable and editable version

	÷	التارد	
المحترم		ة / نائب الرئيس التنفيذي لقطاع الأجهزة والمنتج	سعادة
,0			
شركة والخاص بتوريد منتجات	لصالح	لى التعميد رقم والصادر بتاريخ	بناءً ع
		فدام البحثي أو التعليمي أدناه داخل المنش <mark>أة المعنية</mark>	للاستع
الشركة المصنعة	الكمية	المنتج	م
			١
			۲
			٣
		SEDA	
صة أو التشخيصية وانما يقتص استعمالها على	ات الطبية العلا	بعدم استخدام المنتجات المذكورة أعلاه في التطبية	نتعهد
		البحثي أو التعليمي فقط، بغض النظر عن كفاءة	
	الشكر والتقدير	ولكم جزيل	
ص المسؤول:	اسم الشخد		
ظيفي:	المسمى الود		
	التوقيع:	الختم	
	التاريخ:		

Annex (3): Attestation Form for Importers of Research Products نموذج التعهد الخاص بمستوردي المنتجات البحثيت

(يطبع على الورق الرسمي الخاص بالمستورد)

Click here for printable and editable version

	تارىخ:	ŤI .				
وتاريخ		سجل تجاري رقم	و	ستودع	نحن شركة/مؤسسة/م	تعهد
		مواتير التالية:	الواردة في الفاتورة/الف	بأن المنتجات	فرع	
	بلد الصنع	الشركة المصنعة	عدد البنود	تاريخ الفاتورة	رقم الفاتورة	م
						١
						۲
						••

- والقادمة عن طربق منفذ ، نتعهد بالآتي:
- ١. أن بنود الشحنة الواردة في الفاتورة/الفواتير مطابقة للشروط والمعايير الدولية.
- مراعاة شروط النقل والتخزين حسب متطلبات الهيئة العامة للغذاء والدواء وتوصيات الشركة الصانعة مع إيضاح مكان التخزين بعد فسح الشحنة.
- ٣. إقرار بأن المنتجات لا تستخدم في التطبيقات الطبية العلاجية أو التشخيصية وإنما يقتصر استعماله على المجال البحثي أو التعليمي فقط، بغض النظر عن كفاءة المنتج للاستخدامات العلاجية أو التشخيصية.
 - ٤. أن البنود الواردة في الشحنة لا تحتوي على أي مواد مخدرة أو متفجرة أو مشعة أو أي مواد محظورة.
 - ٥. إحضار أصل الفاتورة وشهادة المنشأ لدى منفذ الوصول.
- ٢. استخدام المواد المطلوب استيرادها في الأغراض الموردة من أجله بالإضافة إلى عدم تداولها في غير الأماكن المخصصة لذلك وتحمل جميع الأضرار الناجمة عن سوء استخدام المواد المذكورة في طلب إذن الاستيراد أو استخدامها في غير الغرض الذي وردت من أجله.
 - ٧. أن الأفراد القائمين بالعمل مؤهلون علمياً وعملياً.
 - ٨. عدم إصدار أي مادة دعائية أو إعلانية للأجهزة والمنتجات الطبية المذكورة في طلب إذن الاستيراد.

ولكم جزيل الشكر والتقدير ،،،،
اسم الشخص المسؤول:
المسمى الوظيفي:
الختم التوقيع:
النابخ:

Annex (4): Definitions & Abbreviations

KSA	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia		
MOI	Ministry of Interior		
SFDA	Saudi Food and Drug Authority		
HCIS	High Commission for Industrial Security		
MDS	Medical Devices Sector		
Medical Device	means any instrument, apparatus, implement, machine, appliance, implant, in vitro reagent or calibrator, software, material or other similar or related article: A. Intended by the manufacturer to be used, alone or in combination, for human beings for one or more of the specific purpose(s) of: Diagnosis, prevention, monitoring, treatment or alleviation of disease, Diagnosis, monitoring, treatment, alleviation of or compensation for an injury or handicap, Investigation, replacement, modification, or support of the anatomy or of a physiological process, Supporting or sustaining life, Control of conception, Disinfection of medical devices, Providing information for medical or diagnostic purposes by means of in vitro examination of specimens derived		
	from the human body;		
	B. which does not achieve its primary intended action in or on the human body by pharmacological, immunological or metabolic means, but which may be assisted in its intended function by such means.		
Labelling	 means written, printed or graphic matter A. Affixed to a product or any of its containers or wrappers. B. Information accompanying a product, related to identification, technical description. C. Information accompanying a product, related to its use, but excluding shipping documents. 		
Medical Devices National Registry (MDNR)	is the database of registered establishments and the medical devices they manufacture, import, or distribute.		

National Registry	means the number issued to a person by the SFDA under the		
Number	establishment registration provisions of the Medical Devices Interim		
	Regulation.		

