Republic of Iraq Certificate of Registration (CoR) Scheme for Manufacturers and Suppliers

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The State Company for Iraqi Fairs and Commercial Services, a subsidiary of the Ministry of Trade in the Republic of Iraq, has implemented the Certificate of Registration (CoR) Scheme for manufacturers and suppliers from exporting countries.

The CoR Program will commence on 1st October 2020 with a gradual implementation, depending on the product category and in accordance with a specified schedule from which the Certificate of Registration (CoR) for Manufacturers and Suppliers will become a mandatory pre-requisite to obtain the Import License in the Republic of Iraq.

The aim of the CoR scheme is to validate the credibility of manufacturers and suppliers that wish to export goods to the Republic of Iraq. Ensuring that these parties are verified in the country of origin prior to entering the Iraqi market not only promotes governance and safeguards the integrity of the trade environment, it also protects the end consumer whilst minimizing risk for importers and traders. Global manufacturers and suppliers can also benefit from enhanced ease of doing business and speed to market.

As a reputable gateway for global trade, TÜV Rheinland has been appointed by The State Company for Iraqi Fairs and Commercial Services as the sole independent Certification Body authorized to issue the Certificate of Registration.

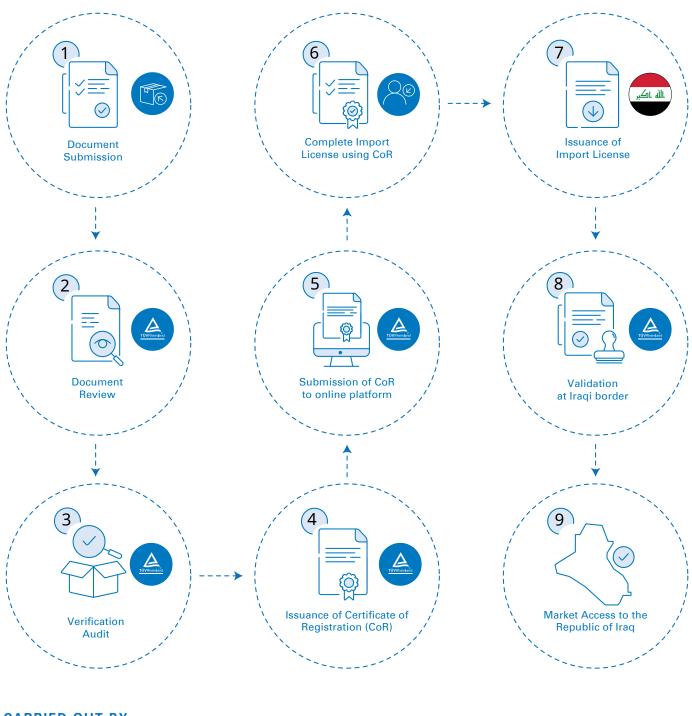
A leading independent provider in the Testing, Inspection, and Certification industry, TÜV Rheinland's tradition of excellence dates back to when the company was first established 150 years ago. Our proven experience in conformity assessment and inspection services makes us a trusted and reliable partner to facilitate smooth market access to the Republic of Iraq.

Certificate of Registration Scheme Overview			
Government Authority	The State Company for Iraqi Fairs and Commercial Services a subsidiary of the Ministry of Trade in the Republic of Iraq		
Scheme Name	Certificate of Registration (CoR) Scheme for Manufacturers & Suppliers		
	<ul> <li>Confirming the authenticity of manufacturers and suppliers exporting to Iraq to ensure they are legally and duly registered in the country of origin</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Ensuring that international quality standards and good manufacturing practices are maintained by manufacturers and suppliers exporting to Iraq</li> </ul>		
(() Objective	Protection of importers, agents and distributors in the Iraqi market		
	Ensure the efficiency and ability of the manufactures and suppliers		
	Providing an extensive database of verified manufacturers and suppliers serving the public and private sectors in the Iraqi market		
Certificate Validity	One year from date of issue		
Start Date	To commence on1st October, 2020 as per the circular issued by the State Company for Iraqi Fairs and Commercial Services on 29th July, 2020, the implementation will be gradual, depending on the product category and in accordance with the specified schedule		
	<ul> <li>Application submission by manufacturers and suppliers Document review</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Verification audit at the premises of the manufacturer or supplier</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Issuance of the Certificate of Registration (CoR) to Manufacturer or Supplier</li> </ul>		
Framework	<ul> <li>Completing the Import License application with CoR (by the importer)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Documents and consignment verification at the Iraqi border</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Issuance of Confirmation Letter at the Iraqi border in order to proceed to the clearance stage with the Ministry of Trade and Iraqi Customs</li> </ul>		
	Application Form		
	Commercial License		
U Documents Required	<ul> <li>Trademark registration certificate (if applicable)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Product registration certificate (if applicable)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>International certificates granted (if applicable)</li> </ul>		
Important Note	Applications for the Import License will be automatically rejected if not accompanied by a valid CoR		

# **Certificate of Registration Process**

### Country of Export

## The Republic of Iraq



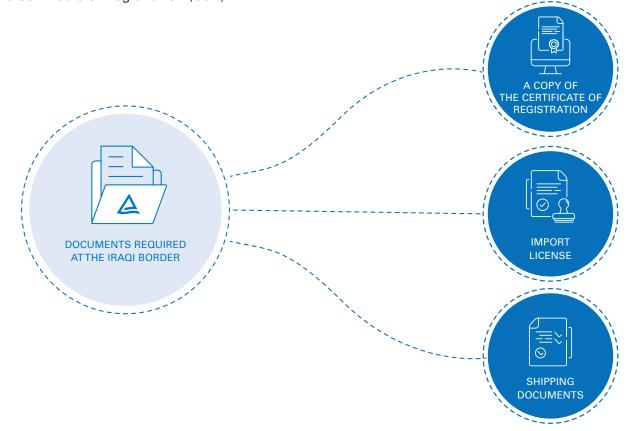
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## Authorized Certification Body for Certificate of Registration (CoR) Scheme for Manufacturers and Suppliers

The State Company for Iraqi Fairs and Commercial Services, a subsidiary of the Ministry of Trade in the Republic of Iraq, has appointed TÜV Rheinland to carry out the evaluation process for manufacturers and suppliers exporting to the country, and issue of the Certificate of Registration (CoR). In addition, TÜV Rheinland will provide validation at the Iraqi border that the imported goods and information on the Import License are identical, under the supervision of the State Company for Iraqi Fairs and Commercial Services.



# Implementation Timelines of The Certificate of Registration Scheme

		2020	2021
Sr. No.	CATEGORIES	OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER	IMPLEMENTATION DATES OF THE MANDATORY COR
1	Electrical (Household Appliances, IT Equipment, etc.)		January 1
2	Chemicals & Cosmetics		February 1
3	Textiles, Shoes & Leather Goods		March 1
4	Kitchen Utensils & Cookware		March 1
5	Paper Products		April 1
6	Vehicles & Spare Parts	THE GRACE PERIOD	May 1
7	Construction Material & Sanitary Ware		June 1
8	Plastic & Rubber Products		June 1
9	Paints, Varnishes & Pastes		August 1
10	Food		October 1
11	Others		October 1

The Certificate of Registration Scheme was announced by the State Company for Iraqi Fairs and Commercial Services by means of a circular published on 29th July, 2020.

The scheme will be implemented in stages, rolling out across a total of 11 product categories. A specific date has been applied to each category for when the Certificate of Registration (CoR) becomes a mandatory prerequisite for the Import License.

#### EXAMPLE 1

From 1st October, 2020, the Certificate of Registration applications must be submitted to TÜV Rheinland for the category "Electrical (Household Appliances, IT Equipment)" and the CoR must be obtained by 31st December, 2020, at the latest.

From 1st January, 2021, manufacturers and suppliers in this category will not be eligible for the import license without the CoR.

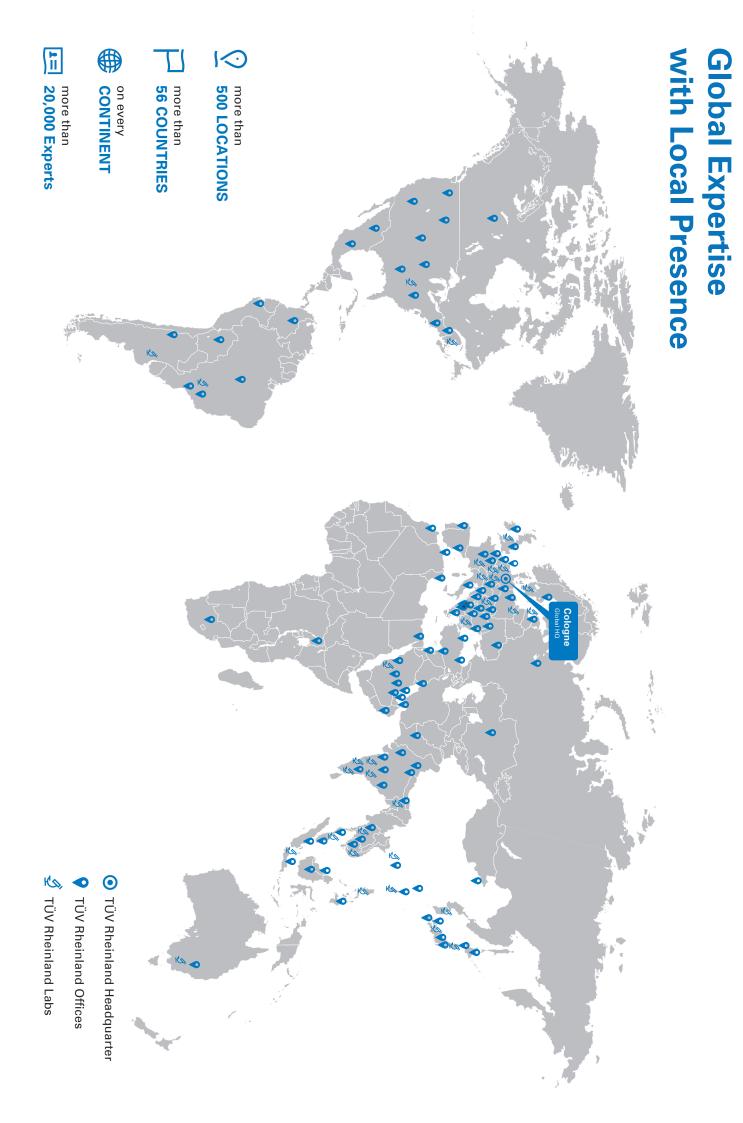
#### EXAMPLE 2

From 1st February, 2021, the Certificate of Registration is mandatory for the category "Chemicals and Cosmetics".

All manufactures or suppliers operating within this category are obligated to obtain the CoR from TÜV Rheinland by **31st January**, **2021**, at the latest.

It is recommended for all manufacturers and suppliers to submit their CoR application at least one month prior to their category-specific deadline to ensure no disruption to their business.

Applications for the Import License will be automatically rejected without a valid CoR.





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