IMPORT REQUIREMENTS

(Excluding General Document)

HS Code: 03061600
Cold-water shrimps and prawns (Pandalus spp, Crangon crangon)

Import prohibited as per Import Policy Order 2021-24, Annex-1, Part-B, Sl. 14.

Product-Specific Documents

Sl.	Documents	Purpose	Agency/ Entity	Stage	Option	Validity	Applicability	Legislation	Remarks
1	Import Permit (IP)	CC, RP	Department of Fisheries (DoF), Fisheries Quarantine Wing	Before importation	Manual	Not mentioned	Consignment/Lot Specific	Sec. 9(1), 10(2), Fish Quarantine Act, 2018 [Bangla]	
2	Declaration to Fisheries Quarantine Officer	RP	Importer	After importation	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Sec. 16(1), Fish Quarantine Act, 2018 [Bangla]	
3	NOC for Import	CC, RP	Central or Regional Authority, DoF [DG, DoF; DD (FIQC)]	After receiving application from importer	Manual	Lot	Lot	Sec. 23(3), FIQC Act, 2020 [Bangla]	Importer needs to apply 15 days prior to import.
4	Prior Declaration	RP	Importer	Before importation	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Sec. 24(2), FIQC Act, 2020 [Bangla]	
5	Salubrity Certificate	CC, RP	Competent authority of exporting country	With the consignment document	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Sec. 24(1), FIQC Act, 2020 [Bangla]	
6	Traceability Certificate	CC, RP	Competent authority of exporting country	With the consignment document	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Sec. 24(1), FIQC Act, 2020 [Bangla]	
7	Halal Certificate	CC, RP	Competent authority of exporting country	With the consignment document	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Sec. 24(1), FIQC Act, 2020 [Bangla]	
8	Fit for Human Consumption Certificate	CC, RP	Competent authority of exporting country	With the consignment document	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Article 23(2), 23(3)(Uma), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]	
9	Physical and Laboratory Test Report	CC, RP	Regional Authority, FIQC, DoF	After Bill of Entry submission	Manual	Consignment Specific	Lot Specific	Sec. 25(1)(2), FIQC Act, 2020 [Bangla]	
10	Radioactivity Test Certificate from Origin Country	CC, RP	Competent authority of origin country	Before importation	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Article 23(1), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]	

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11	Radioactivity Test Certificate	CC, RP	Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission (BAEC)	After importation	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Article 23(1), 23(5)(Cha), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]	
12	If GMO/LMO, permission from Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	RP	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	Before importation	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Rule 3, Bangladesh Biosafety Rules, 2012 [Bangla]; Article 23(28), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]	Biosafety Guidelines of Bangladesh, 2007 [English] also to be followed.
13	If imported fish & other aquatic animals listed in Schedule-1 & 2, Licence for Agro-products importer	RP	Department of Agricultural Marketing (DAM)	Before importation	Manual	01 (one) year from the issuance date	Annual	Sec. 7(1), Schedule-1 & 2, Agricultural Marketing Act, 2018 [Bangla]; Rule 6, Agricultural Marketing Rules, 2021 [Bangla]	
14	Formalin Free Certificate by Exporting Country	CC, RP	Competent authority of exporting country	Before importation	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Article 23(31), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]	
15	Formalin Free Test Report	CC, RP	Department of Fisheries (DoF)	After importation	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Article 23(32), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]	
16	For frozen fish and fish products, Test Report for harfmul antibiotic, microorganism, heavy metal, hormone, etc.	CC, RP	Internationally recocognized accredited lab or lab of importing country (Bangladesh)	With the consignment document	Manual	Consignment Specific	Consignment Specific	Sec. 24(3), FIQC Act, 2020 [Bangla]	

Compliance and Condition

Sl.	Compliance	Reference
1	Import prohibited item as mentioned in Annex-1, Part-B, Sl. 14, Import Policy Order 2021-24.	Annex-1, Part-B, Sl. 14, Import Policy Order 2021-24.
2	Fish, fish products, beneficial organism and packing materials shall have to be imported through designated ports.	Sec. 9(2), Fish Quarantine Act, 2018 [Bangla]
3	No fish and fish products prohibited by any provisions under this Act or any other act, order or rules or any fish and fish products rotten, contaminated, containing harmful chemicals, mixed with adulterants and harmful substances shall be imported.	Sec. 22(1), FIQC Act, 2020 [Bangla]
4	Production and expiry date shall be clearly embossed on each container or package; not on the container or package by labelling it separately. Expired food items cannot be imported.	Article 23(19), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]
5	If preservatives, additives and colours are used in preserved food, its label and details shall be embossed on the container, label not to be pasted separately.	Article 23(21), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]

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6	Any raw materials used in the preparation of food and beverages, which become unusable after a certain period, the date of production and expiry date shall be written or printed on the container or package of that goods.	Article 23(22), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]
7	For imported canned fish, manufacturing and expiry date and actual weight (net weight) shall be clearly embossed or computer printed in Bangla or English with indelible ink on the container and separately printed label shall not be pasted on the container.	Article 23(30), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]
8	Quarantine conditions and provisions of the Fish Quarantine Act, 2018 shall be applicable.	Article 25(29), IPO 2021-24 [Bangla]
9	If applicable, concerned provisions of Bangladesh Biosafety Rules, 2012 and Biosafety Guidelines of Bangladesh, 2007 are to be followed.	Bangladesh Biosafety Rules, 2012 [Bangla]; Biosafety Guidelines of Bangladesh, 2007 [English]

Tariff Rate

Sl.	HS Code	Statistical Unit	CD	RD	SD	VAT	AIT	AT	TTI	Valuation
1	03061600	KGM	25	0	20	15	5	5	85%	Ad valorem

Preferential Benefits

Sl.	Agrement	Applicable Country(ies)	Preferential Tariff	Compliances	Reference SRO No. & Date
1	SAFTA	Afghanistan, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka	Applicable CD Rate 5%	Compliances laid down in the SRO to be followed.	SRO No. 181-Law/2020/97/Customs, Date: 30 June 2020

Note

1. Information in this Import Export Gateway is provided for ease of understanding, information, and trade facilitation only. It has no legal purpose.

2. If no HS Code is designated against any specific name or description of any product in the Bangladesh Customs Tariff (BCT), the HS Code may not be found in this Gateway searching only by product name or description. To find the appropriate HS code for the concerned product, please consult BCT (including Section Note, Chapter Note, Heading Note, and Sub-heading Note), WCO Explanatory Notes to the Harmonized System (HS), and, if required, WCO Compendium of Classification Opinions, Alphabetical Index, and Classification Decisions of the WCO HS Committee.

3. The list of documents and compliances against the HS Codes may not always be exhaustive; please consult the concerned legislation for complete information. Please follow the prohibitions & restrictions of import and export. Please also note that the import & export especially through land routes have some specific goods listed against the concerned Customs Stations.

4. For the latest updated information on duty and tax benefits, the websites of the National Board of Revenue (NBR), Bangladesh Customs, and BG Press can also be regularly monitored.

5. Last updated on 09 February 2025.

Abbreviations

1. IP: Import Permit

3. RP: Regulatory Purpose

5. SAFTA: Agreement on South Asian Free Trade Area

2. CC: Customs Clearance

4. DoF: Department of Fisheries

6. SRO: Statutory Regulatory Order