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PUBLIC NOTICE

PRE-LODGMET OF CUSTOMS DECLARATIONS

The public is informed that all importers, exporters and persons transporting commercial goods by road to, through or from Botswana that, **with effect from 1 August 2026**, customs declarations must be submitted before proceeding to the border. This requirement is mandatory in terms of the Customs Act.

Before Proceeding to the Border

After loading the goods and before proceeding to the border, one MUST:

- Submit a customs declaration through the BURS Customs Management System.
- Submit all required supporting documents.
- Wait until customs declaration attains "PROCEED TO BORDER" status.
- Proceed to the border **ONLY** after customs declaration has attained "PROCEED TO BORDER" status.

Important

Do **NOT** arrive at the border unless your customs declaration has attained "PROCEED TO BORDER" status. Any person who arrives at the border before their customs declaration has attained "PROCEED TO BORDER" status commits an offence and is liable to a penalty of **P10, 000**.

For more information, please contact **0800 900 900** or email **contactcentre@burs.org.bw**

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