



Liberia - Container Scanning Program 13/09/07

Ministry of Finance

Ref: Container Scanning Information.

Objective

In order to reduce fraud specifically false declarations and for security purposes, the Ministry of Finance announces the implementation of the Container Scanning Program starting from the 13th of September 2007. Container scanning will be performed at the BIVAC Scanning Facility in Monrovia Freeport (near Fishing Pier).

Containers to be Scanned

The consignments to be covered by the Container Scanning Program are as follows:

- Containerized imports exempt from the Pre-Shipment Inspection Scheme, including containers consigned to GOL.
- Imports valued below US\$2,000.00 in loose Cargo.
- Containerized UN supplies.
- Containerized exports excluding forestry products that have not undergone Pre-Shipment inspection.

Fee

Import

	Amount
20ft Container	US\$180.00
40ft Container	US\$360.00

Export

	Amount
20/40ft container	US\$250.00

- Bank slip confirming payment
- Export/Import Permit Declaration (EPD/IPD)
- Commercial Invoice
- Transport Documents

Payment Term

Payment in advance by a manager/certified check.

Scanning Facility

Importers and exports entering the scanning facility will have to follow scrupulously the scanning facility rules. The rules shall be available for you at the Scanning Facility, Bivac's Office and Customs House, Freeport. A scanning Report Release Certified (Release Form) will be delivered by Customs and BIVAC after scanning and applicable inspection.

NPA EXIT

Starting September 13th

- Imported consignments that have not been inspected pre-shipment by BIVAC International and that do not have a Release Form will not be authorized to exit the Freeport of Monrovia. Clearance on permit will be restricted/prohibited.
- Export containers that have not been inspected by BIVAC Liberia and that do not have a Release Form will not be authorized to load on vessels.

Non-Exempt Goods

Imported consignments that do not undergo Pre-Shipment Inspection shall be subject to destination inspection with a non-negotiable fine of 20% of the CIF value.



Consignment Pre-Inspection

Imported consignments pre-inspected by Bivac shall not be subject to scanning except where risk is perceived. In such instances, scanning will be free of charge. This implies that the importer adhering to the PSI who are in the majority shall not be required to pay for scanning.