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## KTA NEWSLETTER

#### MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION PROCESS ON E-CITIZEN

Log into E -Citizen
Account

Select NTSA
Service Portal
(New)

Select the motor vehicle and click on view

Click on Book Now and select the preferred center

Submit to pay for inspection then click on Complete

Click Motor Vehicle
Services, then
Select Inspection
Type

Click on Complete Booking

and date

Go to application history to download and print receipt and booking slip Carry the booking slip and payment receipt for inspection

- Motor Vehicle inspection booking and payment processes are through the E-Citizen platform
- Application fee of Ksh.1050 is paid via E-Citizen upon generation of a system invoice.
- The process is 100% paperless. We no longer use Vehicle Inspection Check forms. To further improve on our efficiency, Inspectors have been issued with digital devices (tablets) to aid the inspection process.
- The steps involved in the internal processes have been reduced to 9 from the previous 25.
- NOTE: Clients will spend less than 20mins within an inspection center.
- To promote transparency, picture attachments of vehicles presented are uploaded into the system by the inspector as part of the validation process.
- New parameters including conformance with the Passenger Vehicle Body Construction (KS372:2019) and Maximum Road Speed Limiters for Motor Vehicles (KS 2295:2018) have been incorporated in the process to ensure safety compliance.
- Upon completion of the Inspection process, results are automatically updated on the NTSA Mobile App for verification by law enforcement.
- Upon failing inspection, motor vehicle owners have 14 days to correct the defects observed and present the vehicle for re-inspection at no additional costs.
- For convenience, the inspection report is easily accessible and downloadable from the motor vehicle owner's account.
- NOTE: Operating a vehicle without a valid inspection certificate is an offense, and law enforcement personnel are advised to take necessary action.

Source: NTSA

#### STREAMLINING TRANSIT TRUCKS WEIGHING: A BOOST FOR BUSINESS EFFICIENCY



In our continuous pursuit of improving the **Ease of Doing Business**, the **Kenya Transporters Association** (KTA) was actively engaged in constructive dialogues with intergovernmental bodies and stakeholders within the Port Community. This collaborative effort resulted in the formulation of a comprehensive working document by the Port Reforms Working Group, aimed at addressing various concerns raised by stakeholders. Noteworthy among these efforts was a **Presidential Stakeholder Engagement Session** held at the Port of Mombasa on July 29, 2023, where issues were presented to His Excellency **Hon. William Samoei Ruto.** 

One of the key issues brought to the forefront by KTA was the need to streamline the weighing process for transit trucks along the Northern Corridor. This initiative aimed to reduce transit times, enhancing the competitiveness of the corridor. Consequently, a joint working team comprising representatives from the Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) and the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) was established to integrate the Weighbridge Management System. This collaboration led to the development of functional requirements documents and integration specifications documents.

In line with the broader goal of reducing non-tariff barriers within the East African Community member states, the implementation of the Presidential Directive on transit cargo trucks yielded positive outcomes. The Kenya Transporters Association is pleased to announce that trucks are now subjected to weighing at the first weighbridge from the point of loading and the last weighbridge at the point of exit.

#### It is Important to note the following;

- The Presidential Directive is only on trucks transporting goods under Customs Control i.e. armed with RECTS
- The Presidential Directive is only on the Northern Corridor in order to make the Port competitive in the region.
- The transit trucks shall be weighed at the start and at the exit of journey weighbridges (inwards and outwards)
- Trucks will still have to pass weigh-in-motion (WIM) weighbridges but the system will release them automatically as **KeNHA** and **KRA** systems have been integrated. It is important to note that trucks **MUST** pass the weighbridge to avoid committing absconding offences.

In cases where a truck or vehicle is detected with an overload at the initial weighbridge, the transporter is required to rectify the excess load or settle the necessary fines before commencing the journey. Subsequent weighbridges along the route will not penalize the transporter for the offense; however, it is crucial for transporters to note that the lifting of terriers for loaded trucks will incur more substantial/severe penalties.

#### KENHA'S VISIONARY ROADMAP: UNVEILING THE 2023-2027 STRATEGIC PLAN



The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) transformative **2023 - 2027 Strategic Plan** was officially launched by **Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen**, **EGH**, the Cabinet Secretary of the Ministry of Roads and Transport. This groundbreaking initiative is poised to reshape the nation's road infrastructure, addressing raised concerns and amplifying the Authority's role in national development.

Over the 2023 - 2027 period, the Authority aims to construct 2,349 km of roads, comprising 1,183 km of new road construction, capacity enhancement of 674 km, and rehabilitation of 492 km. Additionally, it plans to maintain 75,891 km of the national trunk road network and design 5,575 km of the road network. Key objectives include the design, construction, and maintenance of structures, improving effectiveness and efficiency, ensuring compliance with environmental and social safeguards, and bolstering institutional capacity.

The Strategic Plan identifies key result areas, such as planning and development, road asset management, effectiveness and efficiency, sustainability, and institutional capacity.

#### KeNHA's five strategic goals for the next five years are:

- a) **Provide adequate infrastructure that meets stakeholder needs:** Ensuring that road infrastructure aligns with the diverse needs and expectations of stakeholders, including the general public, businesses, and local communities.
- b) Ensure the road network maintains its functionality and durability: Prioritizing the longevity and operational efficiency of the road network, contributing to sustained connectivity.
- c) Increase effectiveness and efficiency in operations: A commitment to optimizing processes and systems, promoting streamlined and efficient operational practices.
- **d)** Enhance environmental and social sustainability: A focus on minimizing the environmental and social impact of road projects, aligning with global sustainability goals.
- e) Improve capability in the development and management of National Trunk Roads: Investing in capabilities and expertise to ensure the effective development and management of the critical National Trunk Roads.

This plan aligns with the Global, Regional, and National development agenda, including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), Africa Agenda 2063, East Africa Community (EAC) Vision 2050, Vision 2030, Medium Term Plan IV, and the Bottom-up Development Agenda (BETA).

The Strategic Plan prioritizes various **Medium-Term Plan (MTP) IV** infrastructure sectors, including the construction of additional roads, highway road maintenance, construction of footbridges, a 50-year national trunk road development master plan, road safety projects, decongestion of highways, and the digitalization of government services.

Source: KeNHA

#### **FOSTERING ROAD SAFETY AND PROFESSIONALISM**





As stakeholders in the transport industry, it is the collective responsibility of transporters and other road users to ensure the safety and efficiency of our roadways. Complaints from other road users along the Mombasa-Nairobi Highways and the entire northern corridor have highlighted a growing concern – the alleged bullying behavior of heavy goods vehicle drivers. This issue underscores the urgent need for all transporters to reevaluate their commitment to road safety and discipline.

#### The Challenge at Hand:

The troubling trend is fueled by a perceived lack of discipline among drivers, particularly along crucial transport corridors like the Mombasa-Nairobi Highways. The associated risks, including a surge in recorded accidents, demand an immediate attention and a collaborative effort to address the root causes.

#### The Role of Vehicle Owners:

In light of these concerns, the Kenya Transporters Association urges vehicle owners to play a pivotal role in sensitizing their drivers. Vehicle owners are the cornerstone of our industry, and by instilling a culture of responsibility, discipline, and adherence to road safety, we can collectively create a safer and more respectful road environment.

#### To address the issues at hand, it is crucial to understand the qualities of a professional driver:

- 1. **Positive Driving Attitude:** A positive attitude on the road is paramount. Professional drivers should prioritize safety, respect for other road users, and a commitment to responsible driving practices.
- 2. **Good Driving Skills:** Possessing excellent driving skills is fundamental. Drivers should be proficient in handling heavy goods vehicles, understanding their limitations, and making informed decisions on the road.
- 3. **Concentration:** Maintaining a high level of concentration is essential for safe driving. Distractions, whether internal or external, can compromise the safety of the driver and others on the road.
- 4. **Knowledge on Safety Rules and Regulations**: A thorough understanding of safety rules and regulations is non-negotiable. Drivers should be well-versed in traffic laws, signs, and protocols to ensure compliance and overall road safety.
- 5. **Always Alert:** Professional drivers must remain vigilant at all times. Awareness of the surroundings, potential hazards, and the actions of other road users is crucial for accident prevention.
- 6. **Self-Discipline:** Perhaps the most critical quality is self-discipline. Drivers should exercise self-control, adhere to rules and regulations, and avoid engaging in behaviors that may compromise safety and lead to conflicts with other road users.

#### A Call to Action:

In conclusion, the Kenya Transporters Association calls upon heavy goods vehicle owners to take immediate and concrete actions to address the rising concerns of indiscipline and bullying on the roads. By emphasizing the qualities of a professional driver and investing in ongoing training and awareness programs, we can collectively foster a safer, more responsible, and professional transport industry. Let us reaffirm our commitment to road safety, professionalism, and a culture of respect on our highways. Together, we can build a transport environment that prioritizes the well-being of all road users.

Source: KTA

### SOUTH SUDAN FREIGHT FORWARDERS ASSOCIATION CONDEMNS KILLINGS OF DRIVERS IN SOUTH SUDAN



In a press release issued on January 22, 2024, the **South Sudan Freight Forwarders Association/Business Community**, operating in **Juba, Mombasa**, and the entire transit corridor, strongly denounced the acts of violence, human rights abuses, and, notably, the recent tragic killing of innocent drivers that occurred on January 18, 2024.

Mr. Emmanuel Kachoul, Chairman of the South Sudan Freight Forwarders Association/Business Community at the Mombasa Port, expressed his deep concern over the assault perpetrated by a roque rebel group armed with AK-47 rifles and RPGs. The incident occurred in Kajo Keji, Central Equatorial, near the border in Uganda's Moyo District. Additionally, he highlighted another distressing event where truck drivers supplying UNIMISS with essential items were fatally attacked in Unity State, around Mayom County, close to Bentiu.

These attacks not only resulted in the tragic loss of innocent lives but also led to the unjust detention of innocent drivers. The entire industry stands united in solidarity with the affected families. Mr. Kachoul emphasized the urgent need for swift action by the relevant security agencies in South Sudan, specifically **in Central Equatorial and Unity State Bentiu**, to apprehend the culprits responsible for these heinous crimes.

The Freight Forwarders Association/Business Community conveyed sincere condolences to the families of the drivers who lost their lives in the line of duty – a tragedy strongly condemned by the Kenya Transporters Association.

In light of these unfortunate incidents, the Association called for heightened protection of truck drivers along all **Northern Corridor** routes, emphasizing the importance of deploying adequate security agents. Any attack on innocent people or truck drivers not only jeopardizes lives but also disrupts the smooth flow of goods from Mombasa Port to hinterland destinations, adversely affecting businesses and hindering regional economic growth.

Truck drivers play a pivotal role in the region's economy, as every country relies on them for the delivery of consumables and materials. Addressing the issue of insecurity is paramount to ensuring the uninterrupted continuity of supply chains and sustaining the pursuit of economic prosperity for the citizens of the region.

Source: SSFFA

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR ORGANIZATION E-CITIZEN ACCOUNT ACTIVATION:

The E-citizen platform is now fully operational, and organizations can activate their accounts to access NTSA services by following the steps outlined below:

#### 1. Submission of Official Letter:

- **Details:** Initiate the process by submitting an official letter that formally requests the creation of an E-citizen account. This letter should also include the nomination of the individual designated to operate the account, specifying their ID number and full names.
- *Clarification:* This official letter serves as the primary document initiating the account activation process.

#### 2. Sworn Affidavit by a Director (as per CR12):

• **Details**: Provide a sworn affidavit containing the same information as outlined in the official letter. This affidavit must be signed by a Director in accordance with the details specified in the Company Registration (CR12) document.

*Importance:* The affidavit corroborates the information in the official letter and adds a legal dimension to the account activation process.

#### 3. Submission of Registration Certificate:

- **Details:** Include the organization's registration certificate in the submission. This document validates the legal status of the organization and must align with the information provided in the official letter and affidavit.
- Significance: The registration certificate is a crucial component confirming the legitimacy of the organization.

#### 4. Minutes of the Board Meeting:

• **Details:** Include the minutes of the board meeting wherein the nomination of the account holder was decided. These minutes should comprehensively capture the decision-making process and be appropriately signed by relevant authorities.

**Purpose:** The minutes offer a transparent record of the board's decision, enhancing accountability in the account

#### 5. Nominee's Activation Process:

- **Details:** The nominated individual is required to log into their personal E-citizen account, navigate to "add the organization," and attach all the aforementioned documents. Following submission, the National Transport and Safety Authority Officer reviews and approves the request, resulting in the successful creation/addition of the E-citizen account.
- *User Responsibility:* The nominee plays an active role in the activation process by following specific steps on the E-citizen platform.

#### Additional Note:

- *Context*: The same activation procedure applies even when a Director is nominated to operate the account.
- Rationale: This consistency is maintained due to the common scenario where companies have multiple directors. The identified director to undergo the same activation process to ensure the appropriate assignment of specific roles within the E-citizen account.

By adhering to this comprehensive procedure, organizations can navigate the E-citizen account activation with clarity and compliance, fostering a streamlined and accountable process.

Source: NTSA

#### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: YOUR KEY ROLE IN KTA'S CONTINUED EXCELLENCE

#### Dear Esteemed KTA Member,

The entire KTA team extends its sincere appreciation for your unwavering support and dedication to our transportation community. Your decision to renew your membership for the year 2024 is truly valued and acknowledged.

Your commitment serves as the cornerstone of KTA's success, and we are honored to have a community of individuals so dedicated and passionate within our association. With your renewed membership, we can continue fostering a dynamic and collaborative environment that encourages knowledge exchange, networking, and professional development.

As we embark on the journey of another year together, we are enthusiastic about the learning opportunities, collaborative projects, and community-building initiatives that await us. Your active participation plays a crucial role in shaping the trajectory of KTA, and we are confident that the combined expertise and enthusiasm of our members will lead to even greater accomplishments.

Stay tuned for upcoming events, programs, and initiatives designed to enrich your membership experience. We always value your suggestions and feedback, as they contribute to making KTA an even more valuable resource for everyone.

*Kindly be aware that the membership renewal deadline is March 31, 2024. Our sincere hope is that all transporters* will renew their memberships, fortifying the association further. Once again, thank you for your continuous support. We eagerly anticipate another year of collaboration and success with you as an esteemed member of KTA.

#### ASSOCIATE MEMBERHIP

The membership is open to organizations or firms with strategic business interest in the transport sector

#### **DOCUMENTATIONS**

Copy of PIN certificate/Tax Compliance Certificate

Copy of Certificate of Registration/Incorporation

Letter of *application* seeking membership with KTA

A signed copy of the **Code of** Conduct.

Joining fee KES. 100,500 which is payable annually.

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#### CARGO STATISTICS COLUMN

CONTAINER TERMINAL (JAN 2024)		25 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup>	18 <sup>th</sup> - 24 <sup>th</sup>	Change
Total Number of Ships		13	14	-1
Total Delivered Containers by Road (TEU'S)		5587	8890	-3303
Delivered C'ners by Road	LOCAL	2416	3733	-1317
Delivered C'ners by Road	TRANSIT	3171	5157	-1986
Delivered C'ners by SGR		2101	3076	-975
Imports Population Breakdown	LOCAL	624	1706	-1082
	TRANSIT	2146	3645	-1499
Transit in Yard Breakdown	Burundi	23	22	1
	D.R. Congo	191	300	-109
	Ethiopia	19	4	15
	Rwanda	228	372	-144
	Somalia	0	0	0
	S. Sudan	28	145	-117
	Tanzania	146	260	-114
	Uganda	1511	2542	-1031
Deliveries to CFSs	Consolbase	565	282	283
	Msa C.T	69	128	-59
	Compact	376	248	128
	Interpel	279	143	136
	Mitchell Cotts	84	83	1
	Awanad	182	30	152
	Portside	109	143	-34
	Focus	115	296	-181
	MICT	165	94	71
	Makupa Yard	197	190	7
	MICD	268	140	128
	Autoport	391	320	71
	Regional	412	377	35
	Greatlakes	0	0	0
	Siginon	55	35	20
	Boss Freight	387	423	-36



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