SAMOA
Moving up the trade facilitation ladder
towards seamless international supply chains

[Cumulative implementation scores of core groups of measures; full implementation =100]

The level of implementation of trade facilitation measures in Samoa (38%) is below the level in Asia-Pacific (46.5%). It is however above the level of implementation in Pacific Island Developing Economies (28.5%). Among the five core groups of trade facilitation measures, the most implemented in Samoa are “Transparency” measures (60%). The least implemented are “Cross-border paperless trade” measures (11.1%).

Implementation of “Transparency” measures is below the regional average, but above the sub-regional average. The measure least implemented in this area in Samoa is *Advance publication of regulation before implementation*. Implementation of improved “Formalities” is lower than both the regional and sub-regional averages. The least implemented measures in this area are *Separation of Release and Clearance, TF measures for authorized operators, Expedited shipments and Acceptance of paper or electronic copies*.

In “Paperless trade”, Samoa’s implementation is lower than the regional average, but higher than the sub-regional average. *E-Single window, E-Trade licenses, E-Preferential Certificate of Origin, E-Payment of duties and E-Application for Customs refunds* are least implemented.

Samoa may focus its trade facilitation efforts in particular on full implementation of “Formalities” measures, as well as on moving towards “Cross-border paperless trade”.

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