



## PUBLIC NOTICE

### MIGRATION TO PAYMENT AFTER ASSESSMENT FOR COMMERCIAL DECLARATIONS

- 1.0 The Zimbabwe Revenue Authority (ZIMRA) advises all registered Customs Clearing Agents, importers, exporters and the general public that, effective 8 February 2026, the integrated Payment After Assessment (PAA) system for commercial declarations is now live.
- 2.0 This milestone marks a major achievement in ZIMRA's digital transformation and represents a significant upgrade in trade facilitation.
- 3.0 Under the new system, duties and taxes are paid only after entries are assessed, directly by the importer or exporter rather than by clearing agents as before. This change is welcome, as direct payments to ZIMRA do not attract intermediate transfer costs (IMT)
- 4.0 The PAA platform delivers faster clearance, fewer disruptions, and a more predictable process for importers, exporters and clearing agents. Payments are processed through regulated financial institutions, enhancing transparency, accountability, and traceability. Automated reconciliation and strengthened audit trails further improve compliance and governance.
- 5.0 The system is fully integrated with all participating banks, enabling seamless, real-time payment processing.
- 6.0 ZIMRA recognises that system transitions require adjustment and cooperation, and acknowledges the critical role of clearing agents, financial institutions, importers, and exporters in supporting this reform.
- 7.0 The Authority remains committed to continued engagement to address operational challenges, strengthen system stability, and improve service delivery across all ports of entry.
- 8.0 This integration delivers a modern, efficient, and trusted service experience for all stakeholders across Zimbabwe's trade ecosystem

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