

GF Guidelines

A guide to Diamond Office Grandfathering Procedures

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CHEAT SHEET



Q1: WERE THE GOODS IN QUESTION ALREADY IN YOUR POSSESSION BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2024?

If YES, HEAD TO Q2.

If NO, THEN CHECK IF OTHER GUIDELINES APPLY (G7, IN OR OUT OF SCOPE) OR TRADING AS USUAL!

Q2: DO YOU KNOW THE ORIGIN OF YOUR GOODS?

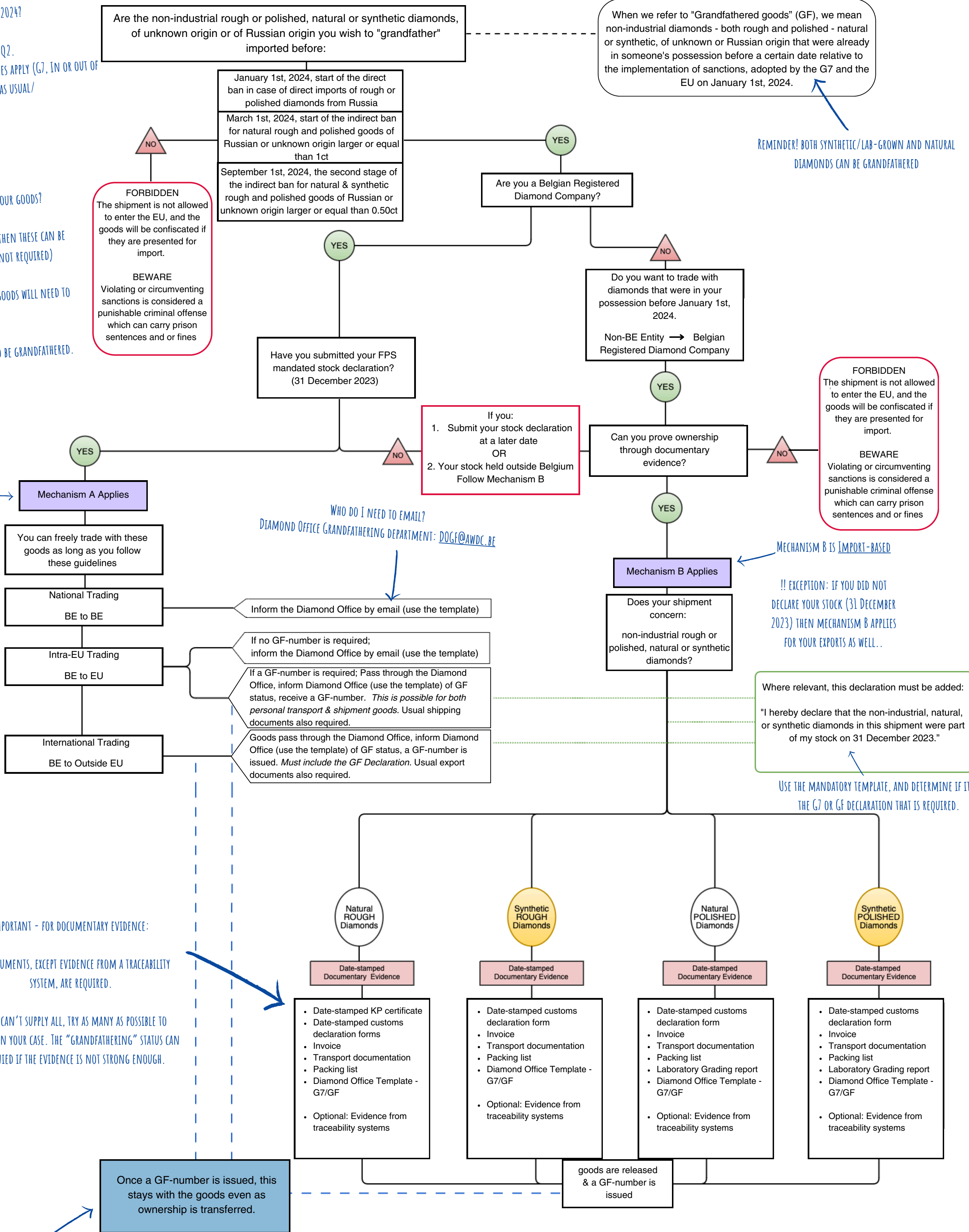
IF YOU DO, AND THEY ARE NOT RUSSIAN, THEN THESE CAN BE TRADED AS USUAL (GRANDFATHERING NOT REQUIRED)

IF YOU DO, AND THEY ARE RUSSIAN, THE GOODS WILL NEED TO BE GRANDFATHERED

IF YOU DON'T, THE GOODS WILL NEED TO BE GRANDFATHERED.

MECHANISM A IS EXPORT-BASED

!! EXCEPTION: IF YOU DID NOT DECLARE YOUR STOCK (31 DECEMBER 2023) THEN MECHANISM B APPLIES FOR YOUR EXPORTS AS WELL..



When we refer to "Grandfathered goods" (GF), we mean non-industrial diamonds - both rough and polished - natural or synthetic, of unknown or Russian origin that were already in someone's possession before a certain date relative to the implementation of sanctions, adopted by the G7 and the EU on January 1st, 2024.

REMEMBER! BOTH SYNTHETIC/LAB-GROWN AND NATURAL DIAMONDS CAN BE GRANDFATHERED

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WHO DO I NEED TO EMAIL?
DIAMOND OFFICE GRANDFATHERING DEPARTMENT: DOGF@AWDC.BE

MECHANISM B IS IMPORT-BASED

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Where relevant, this declaration must be added:
"I hereby declare that the non-industrial, natural, or synthetic diamonds in this shipment were part of my stock on 31 December 2023."

USE THE MANDATORY TEMPLATE, AND DETERMINE IF IT IS THE G7 OR GF DECLARATION THAT IS REQUIRED.

IMPORTANT - FOR DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE:

ALL DOCUMENTS, EXCEPT EVIDENCE FROM A TRACEABILITY SYSTEM, ARE REQUIRED.

IF YOU CAN'T SUPPLY ALL, TRY AS MANY AS POSSIBLE TO STRENGTHEN YOUR CASE. THE "GRANDFATHERING" STATUS CAN BE DENIED IF THE EVIDENCE IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH.

Once a GF-number is issued, this stays with the goods even as ownership is transferred.

IT IS THE BUYERS' RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE THIS INFORMATION!

