

Overview of current sanctions measures against Somalia

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1. United Nations (UN) sanctions against Somalia

- Arms embargo on all deliveries of weapons and military equipment to Somalia, including the prohibition of financing of all acquisitions and deliveries of weapons and military equipment, and the direct or indirect supply to Somalia of technical advice, financial and other assistance, and training related to military activities.
- Entry and transit ban of individuals designated by the Committee.
- Freezing of funds, other financial assets and economic resources that are owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by designated individuals and entities.
- Prohibition on the direct or indirect import of charcoal from Somalia, whether or not such charcoal originated in Somalia
- Prohibition on direct or indirect sale, supply or transfer of explosive materials, explosive-related goods and related technology

2. United States (US) Sanctions against Somalia

- All property and interests in property that are in the United States, that hereafter come within the United States, or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of any United States person, including any overseas branch, of the listed persons are blocked and may not be transferred, paid, exported, withdrawn, or otherwise dealt in.
- The importation into the United States, directly or indirectly, of charcoal from Somalia is prohibited.

Arms embargo

- Policy of denial for license applications for the export of reexport to Somalia or transfer within Somalia of any item controlled on the Commerce Control List for UN reasons.

Source: <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/financial-sanctions/sanctions-programs-and-country-information/somalia-sanctions> &
<https://www.bis.doc.gov/index.php/documents/regulation-docs/420-part-746-embargoes-and-other-special-controls/file>

3. European Union (EU) sanctions against Somalia

- Prohibition against the direct or indirect supply, sale or transfer of arms and related material of all types, including weapons and ammunition, military vehicles and equipment, paramilitary equipment and spare parts for the aforementioned to Somalia.
- All funds and economic resources belonging to, owned, held or controlled by natural or legal persons, entities, or bodies listed shall be frozen.
- Prohibition against providing technical assistance, financial assistance, or investment services to military activities or to the supply, sale, transfer, manufacture, maintenance or use of goods and technology included in the Common Military List of the European Union.
- Prohibition against providing financing or financial assistance related to military activities, for any sale, supply, transfer or export of goods and technology included in the Common Military List of the European Union, directly or indirectly to any person, entity or body in Somalia.

- Prohibition against providing technical assistance related to military activities in relation to goods and technology included in the Common Military List of the European Union, directly or indirectly, to any person, entity or body in Somalia.
- Prohibition against importing charcoal into the Union if it originates in Somalia; or has been exported from Somalia.
- Prohibition against selling, exporting, supplying or transferring, directly or indirectly, improvised explosive devices components to Somalia.
- Prohibition on entry into, or transit through, the EU territories of listed persons.

Source:

<https://www.sanctionsmap.eu/#/main/details/29/?search=%7B%22value%22:%22%22,%22searchType%22:%7B%7D%7D>

4. United Kingdom (UK) sanctions against Somalia

- Asset freezes and restrictions on making funds and economic resources available to and for the benefit of designated persons.
- Travel restrictions.
- Prohibitions against the export, supply and delivery, making available, or transfer of certain goods and technology (such as Improvised Explosive Device (IED) components), or military goods and military technology.
- Prohibitions against providing technical assistance, financial services and funds, brokering service relating to military goods and military technology.
- Prohibitions against enabling or facilitating the conduct of armed hostilities.
- Trade prohibitions relating to import, purchase and transportation of charcoal relating to Somalia.

Source: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2020/642/contents/made>

5. Canada sanctions against Somalia

- A prohibition on the export of arms and related material to any person in Somalia and to persons designated by the UN committee established by Resolution 751 (1992) to oversee the sanctions against Somalia (the 751 Committee).
- A prohibition on the provision, to any person in Somalia and to persons designated by the 751 Committee, of technical, financial or other assistance related to military activities or to the supply, sale, transfer, manufacture, maintenance or use of arms and related material.
- A prohibition on the direct or indirect import of charcoal from Somalia or from a person in Somalia, whether or not the charcoal originated in Somalia.
- An assets freeze against persons designated by the 751 Committee.
- A travel ban against persons designated by the 751 Committee.

Source: https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/international_relations-relations_internationales/sanctions/somalia-somalie.aspx?lang=eng