

CLIENT ADVISORY

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United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement Implementation

Dear Valued U.S. Import Customer,

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has issued a memorandum providing guidance for claiming preferential tariff treatment under the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA). The procedures outlined in the memorandum are in place until the final regulations are implemented.

As announced by the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), implementation will take effect for goods entered on or after July 1, 2020. The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) rules will apply through June 30, 2020. Final implementation instructions will be issued prior to the effective date.

The memorandum includes, but is not limited to, the following subjects pertinent to importations under USMCA:

- Rules of Origin, including Rules of Origin for Automotive Goods
- Regional Value Content (RVC) Calculation Methods
- De Minimis (for non-textile products)
- Treatment of Sets
- Transit and Transshipment
- Eligible Articles, including Eligibility for Textiles and Apparel
- Merchandise Processing Fee (MPF) Exemption
- Country of Origin Marking Rules
- Making a Preference Claim, including Post-Importation Claims
- Certification or Other Document Requirements, and Recordkeeping Requirements

The memorandum contains several Appendices and Annexes:

- Appendix I – Automotive Rules of Origin and Procedures
- Appendix II – Textile and Textile Apparel Rules of Origin and Procedures
- Appendix III – Certification of Origin, Minimum Data Elements
- Annex A – Labor Value Content
- Annex B – Labor Value Content Certification
- Annex C – Steel and Aluminum Certification

Resources:

[CBP USMCA Memorandum "Interim Implementing Instructions"](#)

[USTR USMCA Press Release Regarding July 1st Implementation Date](#)

[Agreement between the United States, United Mexican States, and Canada - Full Text](#)

[CBP USMCA Resource Page](#)

Thank you for being our Valued Customer. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your C.H. Robinson commercial representative for further information.

Sincerely,

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