
Committee on Rules of Origin

NOTIFICATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 5 AND PARAGRAPH 4 OF ANNEX II OF THE AGREEMENT ON RULES OF ORIGIN

Revision

A. NON-PREFERENTIAL RULES OF ORIGIN

1. Article 5.1 of the Agreement on Rules of Origin envisages that each Member shall provide to the Secretariat, within 90 days after the date of entry into force of the WTO Agreement for it, its rules of origin, judicial decisions and administrative rulings of general application relating to rules of origin in effect on that date. If by inadvertence a rule of origin has not been provided, the Member concerned shall provide it immediately after this fact becomes known. Lists of information received and available within the Secretariat shall be circulated to the Members by the Secretariat.

2. Article 5.2 of the Agreement on Rules of Origin provides that during the period referred to in Article 2, Members introducing modifications, other than *de minimis* modifications, to their rules of origin or introducing new rules of origin, which, for the purpose of this Article, shall include any rule of origin referred to in paragraph 1 and not provided to the Secretariat, shall publish a notice to that effect at least 60 days before the entry into force of the modified or new rule in such a manner as to enable interested parties to become acquainted with the intention to modify a rule of origin or to introduce a new rule of origin, unless exceptional circumstances arise or threaten to arise for a Member. In these exceptional cases, the Member shall publish the modified or new rule as soon as possible.

3. Previous notifications received are listed in the G/RO/N/- series. Further notifications have been received as follows:¹

SLOVENIA

(Notification in English)

- Amendments to the Customs Act² (official consolidated version) – Articles 4, 11a to 14b³ (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 1/95, 28/95 and 32/99).

¹The notifications are available for consultation in the Secretariat (Market Access Division).

² The Customs Act is contained in document G/VAL/N/1/SVN (6 February 1996). The amendments to the Act that have been adopted in 1999 and published in Official Gazette of the RS, No. 32/99, are submitted to the Secretariat and are available for consultation in the Secretariat (Market Access Division). For practical reasons, i.e. greater transparency and facilitation of implementation of the Customs Act, the official consolidated version of the Customs Act has been prepared with the amendments indicated *in italics*.

³ The official consolidated version of the Customs Act contains the provisions of the Customs Act in force (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 1/95 and 28/95) and the provisions of the Act amending the Customs Act (Official Gazette of the RS, No. 32/99).

- Decree on the Implementation of the Customs Act¹ (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 46/99):
 - Chapter 3: Origin of Goods, Articles 13 to 29
 - Annexes 3, 4, 5 and 6

B. PREFERENTIAL RULES OF ORIGIN

1. Paragraph 4 of Annex II of the Agreement on Rules of Origin envisages that Members shall provide to the Secretariat promptly their preferential rules of origin, including a listing of the preferential arrangements to which they apply, judicial decisions, and administrative rulings of general application relating to their preferential rules of origin in effect on the date of entry into force of the WTO Agreement for the Member concerned. Members shall provide any modifications to their preferential rules of origin or new preferential rules of origin as soon as possible to the Secretariat. Lists of information received and available within the Secretariat shall be circulated to Members by the Secretariat.

2. Previous notifications received are listed in the G/RO/N/- series. Further notifications have been received as follows²:

SLOVENIA

(Notification in English)

- Amendments to the Customs Act³ (official consolidated version) – Articles 4, 11a to 14b⁴
- Decree on the Implementation of the Customs Act¹:
 - Chapter 3: Origin of Goods, Articles 30 to 35
 - Annex 7

¹ From the date of the enforcement of this Decree on the criteria for determining the method of approving the origin of goods (Official Gazette of the RS, No. 56/95) cease to apply.

² The notifications are available for consultation in the Secretariat (Market Access Division).

³ The Customs Act is contained in document G/VAL/N/1/SVN (6 February 1996). The amendments to the Act that have been adopted in 1999 and published in Official Gazette of the RS, No. 32/99, are submitted to the Secretariat and are available for consultation in the Secretariat (Market Access Division). For practical reasons, i.e. greater transparency and facilitation of implementation of the Customs Act, the official consolidated version of the Customs Act has been prepared with the amendments indicated *in italics*.

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