
Committee on Rules of Origin

**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 5 AND PARAGRAPH 4 OF
ANNEX II TO THE AGREEMENT ON RULES OF ORIGIN**

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 in to 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 the 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

CROATIA

(Notification in English)

Non-preferential rules of origin are contained in:

Legal provisions for non-preferential rules of origin are regulated in Articles 23-27 of the Customs Act (OG 78/99, 94/99, 117/99, 73/00, 92/01, 47/03, 140/05, 138/06, 60/08, 45/09 and 56/10) and Articles 14-30 of the Regulation amending the Customs Act (OG 94/99).

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

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

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:

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(Notification in English)

- Stabilization and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Croatia, of the other part, Annex X Protocol 4 Concerning the Definition of the Concept of "Originating Products" and Methods of Administrative Cooperation, in force from 1 March 2009 (OG, IA 10/08).
- Decision 1/2011 Amending Protocol 4 to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Croatia, of the other part, Concerning the Definition of the Concept of "Originating Products" and Methods of Administrative Cooperation. In force from 21 July 2011 (OG, IA 10/2011).
- The Agreement on Amendment of and Accession to the Central European Free Trade Agreement (CEFTA 2006), Annex 4, Protocol Concerning the Definition of the Concept of "Originating Products" and Methods of Administrative Cooperation. In force from 22 August 2007 (OG, IA 6/2007).
- Free Trade Agreement between the Republic of Croatia and the Republic of Turkey, Protocol III, Definition of the Concept of "Originating Products" and Methods of Administrative Cooperation. In force from 1 July 2003 (OG, IA 12/2002).
- Free Trade Agreement between the Republic of Croatia and EFTA States. Annex III lays down the rules of origin and methods of administrative cooperation. In force from 1 January 2002 (OG, IA 12/2001).

Legal provisions concerning preferential rules of origin are regulated in Article 28 of the Customs Act (OG 78/99, 94/99, 117/99, 73/00, 92/01, 47/03, 140/05, 138/06, 60/08, 45/09 and 56/10) and in Articles 31-65 of the Regulation amending the Customs Act (OG 94/99).

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