

CUSMA / USMCA



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INTRODUCTION

CUSMA (Canada - United States - Mexico Trade agreement) has received final passing by the Canadian government paving the way for full implementation by June 1, 2020. This of course will replace the 26 year old North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Both Mexico and the United States government had previously passed the agreement.

Links to the fillable Certification form and completion instructions are available above.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CUSMA CERTIFICATION

- NAFTA Certificate replaced with a Certification of Origin (not a Certificate of Origin).
- There is no transition period from NAFTA to CUSMA, declarations made on or after June 1st must be under the CUSMA preferential tariff treatment if goods qualify.
- For the automotive sector 70% of components must be manufactured within Canada, USA, or Mexico.
- De Minimis rules are USA - \$800.00 US, Mexico - \$117.00 US for duties & \$50.00 for taxes, Canada CDN \$150.00 for Customs duties and \$40.00 for taxes.
- Goods valued at \$40.00 and less that are shipped from the United States or Mexico are not subject to any duty or tax assessment.
- Goods entering Canada valued over \$40.00 but not more than \$150.00 only tax (GST/HST/PST) is payable.
- Duty and tax is payable on goods valued at more than \$150.00. A declaration of origin is not required for goods valued at \$US \$1,000.00 or less and a simplified origin declaration may be used for goods valued over US \$1000.00. This information is found in Article 5 of Chapter 5 of the Agreement. Goods valued at less than CAD \$3300.00 (US \$2,500.00) are eligible for entry under the current processes for goods valued at under \$2,500.00. This is found in Article 2 of Article 7.8 in Chapter 7.
- Each Party shall adopt or maintain procedures that apply fewer customs formalities than those applied under formal entry procedures, to shipments valued at less than CAD \$3,300.00 for Canada and US \$2,500.00 for the United States and Mexico, provided that the shipments do not form part of a series of importations that may be reasonably considered to have been undertaken or arranged for the purpose of avoiding compliance by an importer with the importing Party's laws, regulations, or procedures related to formal entry.
- Unlike NAFTA where the Certificate of Origin must be completed by the Exporter of the goods, under CUSMA an importer or producer is also qualified to complete the Certification and qualify the goods for preferential treatment.



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