

Australian Customs Notice No. 2021/40

2022 Harmonized System and Proposal Incorporation legislation – Royal Assent

Legislative amendments to implement the 2022 Harmonized System

The amendments to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995* and the *Customs Act 1901* required to implement the 2022 Harmonized System passed the Parliament on 26 September 2021 and received the Royal Assent on 2 September 2021. The text of the amendments is available below:

- Customs Tariff Amendment (2022 Harmonized System Changes) Act 2021
- Customs Amendment (2022 Harmonized System Changes) Act 2021

The amendments will commence on 1 January 2022.

Information relating to the implementation of the 2022 Harmonized System can be found on the Australian Border Force website: <u>https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/tariff-classification/2022-harmonized-system-changes</u>

Working Tariff pages, which include import statistical codes, will be published on the Australia Border Force website later in the year.

The Online Tariff will continue to use the 2017 version of the Harmonized System and will change over to the 2022 version of the Harmonized System on 1 January 2022.

Incorporation of Customs Tariff Proposals No. 1 to 3 of 2021

The amendments required to incorporate Customs Tariff Proposals No. 1 to 3 passed Parliament on 30 August 2021 and received the Royal Assent on 13 September 2021. The text of the amendment is available below:

• Customs Tariff Amendment (Incorporation of Proposals) Act 2021

The details of the three proposals that have been incorporated are outlined in the table.

All administrative arrangements are in place for these amendments as the three proposals have already commenced.

Proposal	Description	Start Date (End Date)	Australian Customs Notice
No. 1	Extension of Concession Item 57 – medical and hygiene products capable of use in combating the novel coronavirus that causes the disease known as COVID-19	1 January 2021* (30 June 2021 <i>)</i>	<u>ACN 2020/53</u>
No. 2	Creation of Concession Item 58 – goods for use in the program known as the F-35 Lighting II Joint Strike Fighter Program	1 March 2021	ACN 2021/08
No. 3	Creation of Concessional Item 39A – continuation of concession for motor vehicle testing equipment previously provided by Concessional Item 39	1 April 2021 (30 June 2025)	ACN 2021/14

*The concessional item for goods capable of use in combating the coronavirus has been extended to 30 June 2022 (for further information see <u>ACN 2021/26</u>).

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