

Australian Customs Notice No. 2022/53

Customs Tariff Changes 1 January 2023

From 1 January 2023 the preferential rates of customs duty for certain Peruvian originating goods, RCEP originating goods and Indian originating goods will be reduced.

Peru-Australia Free Trade Agreement (PAFTA)

All goods that are Peruvian originating, other than excise-equivalent goods (certain tobacco, alcohol, fuel and petroleum products), will have a duty rate of 'Free' from 1 January 2023.

This final phasing down of duty rates under PAFTA applies to goods classified to approximately 75 subheadings. The duty rate for these goods will be phased down from a rate of 1.2% or 0.9% to 'Free'. The goods affected by this reduction include preserved vegetables, chemicals, plastics, goods of plastics, rubber, leather, iron or steel, fibreboard, footwear and clothing accessories, machinery such as cameras and apparatus for radio-broadcasting, unmanned aircraft and furniture.

Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (RCEP)

From 1 January 2023 the preferential rates of customs duty for certain RCEP originating goods will be reduced to either 4%, 2% or 1%.

As there are a large number of staging categories importers are encouraged to check if there has been a change in the duty rate of their RCEP originating goods.

Australia-India Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (ECTA)

From 1 January 2023 the preferential rates of customs duty for certain Indian originating goods will be reduced to 3%. This phase down applies to 115 subheadings. The goods affected by this reduction are certain types of steel and iron and articles of steel and iron.

As these phase downs are already incorporated into the relevant Online Tariff pages and Tariff Working Pages, new working pages will not be issued.

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