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Regulatory Alert: CBP Section 232 Aluminum Smelt and Cast Requirements

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BACKGROUND

On February 24, 2023, the President issued Presidential Proclamation 10522 on Adjusting Imports of Aluminum into the United States. This proclamation requires that importers provide to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the information necessary to identify the countries where the primary aluminum used in the manufacture of aluminum articles imports, covered by Clause 1 of Proclamation 9704, and derivative aluminum articles, specified in Annex I of Proclamation 9980, are smelted; and information necessary to identify the country where such aluminum articles imports and derivative aluminum articles are cast.

Per Proclamation 10522, effective March 10, 2023, any imports of aluminum articles or aluminum derivative articles that are the product of Russia or where any amount of primary aluminum used in the manufacture of the aluminum articles is smelted in Russia are subject to a 200 percent ad valorem rate of duty.

Subsequently, effective April 10, 2023, aluminum articles which are cast in Russia will be subject to a 200 percent ad valorem rate of duty.

WHAT IS CHANGING?

Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on April 10, 2023, importers of all aluminum articles and aluminum derivative articles from all countries of origin, regardless of whether Section 232 duties, quotas, exclusions, or general approved exclusion apply, shall report the following information on the entry summary:

- Primary country of smelt
- Secondary country of smelt
- Country of cast

Customers shipping these impacted aluminum articles should include these details on their shipping documentation to support a smooth customs clearance process.

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Q & A

Q 1 - Are Foreign Trade Zones (FTZ) also required to report these details?

A 1 - The smelt and cast reporting requirements also apply to goods withdrawn from a Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on April 10, 2023.

Q 2 - What specific aluminum products are covered by the proclamations?

A 2 - All aluminum articles are identified by Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) code in the CBP CSMS # 55424218 in the Reference section as well as Federal Register Notice 88 FR 13267.

Q 3 - Does FedEx provide service to or from Russia or Belarus?

A 3 - FedEx suspended service to and from Russia, Belarus, and Ukraine in February 2022 until further notice. The latest updates can be found on the FedEx Service Alerts page: <https://www.fedex.com/en-us/service-alerts.html>. Also, customers should know that shipments containing goods made in Russia or Belarus will be ineligible for clearance on FedEx Trade Networks' bond. Goods with a country-of-origin of Russia or Belarus must be released on the customer's bond.

REFERENCES

CSMS # 55424218

http://content.govdelivery.com/bulletins/gd/USDHSCBP-34db4da?wgt_ref=USDHSCBP_WIDGET_2

88 FR 13267

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/03/02/2023-04470/adjusting-imports-of-aluminum-into-the-united-states>

Reg News Alert 23-051 - U.S. Increases Duties on Aluminum and other Articles from Russia

https://www.fedex.com/content/dam/fedex/us-united-states/International/upload/US_Increases_Duties_on_Aluminum_and_other_Articles_from_Russia.pdf

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