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# CUSTOMS NOTICE 09-016

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## Canada-Peru Free Trade Agreement (CPFTA)

### Implementation

1. This customs notice is to inform you of the August 1, 2009, implementation of the Canada-Peru Free Trade Agreement (CPFTA). With the exception of a few agricultural goods, the CPFTA will eliminate duties on all goods, either immediately upon implementation of the agreement, or through tariff phase-out.
2. Information regarding the CPFTA and the text of the agreement can be found at the Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada Web site at [www.international.gc.ca](http://www.international.gc.ca).
3. The CPFTA implementing legislation, Bill C-24, received royal assent on June 18, 2009, and is scheduled to come into force on August 1, 2009. Bill C-24 can be found at the Parliament of Canada Web site at [www.parl.gc.ca](http://www.parl.gc.ca).
4. Proposed regulatory amendments and a new regulation under the *Customs Act* will be announced in a separate customs notice.

### Tariff Provisions

5. Pursuant to the CPFTA, a new preferential tariff treatment is being introduced, namely the Peru Tariff. The newly assigned tariff treatment code is:  
  
Peru Tariff (PT) – Code 25
6. The rates of duty under the Peru Tariff will be published in an addendum to the departmental consolidation of the *Customs Tariff*.
7. Entitlement to the Peru Tariff is determined in accordance with the CPFTA rules of origin contained in Chapter Three of the CPFTA.

### Proof of Origin

8. The required proof of origin is the Canada-Peru Certificate of Origin available in English, French or Spanish. In order to claim the preferential tariff treatment

accorded under the CPFTA, importers must have in their possession the Canada-Peru Certificate of Origin completed by the exporter in Peru.

9. The Canada-Peru Certificate of Origin and the instructions for completing it will be available prior to August 1, in English, French and Spanish on the CBSA Web site at [www.cbsa.gc.ca/publications](http://www.cbsa.gc.ca/publications).

### Shipping Requirements

10. Goods may be shipped directly from Peru, with or without transshipment, to Canada.
11. The transshipment conditions are contained in Article 314 of Chapter Three of the CPFTA.

### Refunds

12. An application for a refund under paragraph 74(1)(c.11) of the *Customs Act* may be made within four years from the date the goods were accounted for under subsections 32(1), (3), or (5), for goods that were imported on or after August 1, 2009.

### Updates

13. This customs notice is intended as an overview only, highlighting the future changes to the *Customs Tariff* and the *Customs Act* and summarizing the requirements to take advantage of the CPFTA preferential duty rates. To gain a more comprehensive understanding of the CPFTA, it is advised that importers review the agreement in its entirety and consult Bill C-24 prior to importing goods that may benefit from this agreement. The Web site information for both the CPFTA and Bill C-24 are provided above.

### Additional Information

14. Any questions concerning this notice should be directed to the Border Information Service (BIS). The BIS telephone service is available during regular business hours, Monday to Friday (except holidays), from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., local time. (Press 0 to speak to an agent.)

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