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CUSTOMS NOTICE 12-026

Implementation of the Canada-Jordan Free Trade Agreement (CJFTA)

Implementation

1. This customs notice is to inform you that the Canada-Jordan Free Trade Agreement (CJFTA) will be implemented on October 1, 2012. With the exception of a few agricultural goods, the CJFTA will essentially eliminate the customs duties on all imports from Jordan, either immediately upon implementation of the agreement, or through a tariff phase-out.
2. Information regarding the CJFTA and the text of the agreement can be found on the Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada Web site at: www.international.gc.ca
3. The CJFTA implementing legislation, Bill C-23, received Royal Assent on June 29, 2012, and is scheduled to come into force on October 1, 2012. Bill C-23 can be found on the Parliament of Canada Web site at: www.parl.gc.ca.
4. Proposed regulatory amendments and a new regulation under the *Customs Act* related to the CJFTA will be announced in a separate customs notice at a later date.

Tariff Provisions

5. Pursuant to the CJFTA, a new preferential tariff treatment is being introduced, namely the Jordan Tariff. The newly assigned tariff treatment code is: Jordan Tariff (JT) – Code 27.
6. Entitlement to the Jordan Tariff treatment is determined in accordance with the rules of origin set out in Chapter Four of the CJFTA.

Proof of Origin

7. The required proof of origin is the Canada-Jordan Certificate of Origin, available in English, French and Arabic. In order to claim the preferential tariff treatment accorded under the CJFTA, importers must

have in their possession the Canada-Jordan Certificate of Origin completed by the exporter in Jordan.

8. The Canada-Jordan Certificate of Origin and the instructions for completing it will be made available prior to October 1, 2012, in English, French and Arabic, on the Canada Border Services Agency Web site at: www.cbsa.gc.ca/publications.

Shipping Requirements

9. Goods may be shipped directly from Jordan, with or without transshipment, to Canada.
10. The transshipment conditions are set out in Article 4-12 of Chapter Four of the CJFTA.

Refunds

11. An application for a refund under paragraph 74(1)(c.11) of the *Customs Act* may be made within four years from the date that the goods were accounted for under subsections 32(1), (3) or (5), in respect of goods that were imported on or after October 1, 2012.

Updates

12. 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 CJFTA preferential rates of duty. To gain a more comprehensive understanding of the CJFTA, it is advised that importers review the agreement in its entirety and consult Bill C-23 prior to importing goods that may benefit from this agreement.

Additional Information

13. For more information, within Canada call the Border Information Service at **1-800-461-9999**. From outside Canada call 204-983-3500 or 506-636-5064. Long distance charges will apply. Agents are available Monday to Friday (08:00 – 16:00 local time/except holidays). TTY is also available within Canada: **1-866-335-3237**.

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