







# **QUICK FACTS**

When CETA enters into force, almost 94% of the EU agricultural tariff lines will be duty-free, including tariff lines for specialty products such as vitamin-infused water, maple water and energy drinks.

Canadian exports
of non-alcoholic
beverages to the EU:
CDN \$13.6 million
(2015)\*

In 2015, Canada was the second largest exporter of cranberry juice to the EU\*\*

\*Source: CatsNet/\*\*Global Trade Tracker



# Enhanced Opportunities in the European Union for CANADIAN NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Approximately 18% of European Union (EU) agriculture tariff lines are currently duty-free. Some Canadian non-alcoholic beverages are subject to tariffs as high as 33.6%. The elimination of EU tariffs will help Canadian producers, processors and exporters to be more competitive in the EU. Examples of products that will be duty-free when the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) enters into force:

DUTY-FREE UPON CETA'S ENTRY INTO FORCE	
Product (illustrative list only)	EU tariffs have been as high as:
Concentrated Grape Juice	22.4% + 131 euros/hl + 20.6 euros/100 kg
Non-alcoholic Beverages Containing Milk	5.4% + 21.2 euros/100 kg
Certain Fruit Juices (e.g. Blueberry and Cranberry)	17.6%
Apple Juice	30% + 18.4 euros/100 kg
Carbonated/Mineral Water	9.6%

## **Rules of Origin**

Under CETA, only those products that undergo sufficient production in Canada or the EU are considered originating products and are therefore eligible for preferential tariff treatment. Canadian non-alcoholic beverages produced from inputs that are wholly obtained (i.e. grown and harvested) in Canada or the EU are considered originating and will benefit from preferential tariff treatment. Canadian non-alcoholic beverages that are produced from non-originating (i.e. imported) inputs must satisfy the applicable product-specific rule of origin (CETA, Annex 5 of the Rules of Origin Procedures Protocol) in order to be considered originating.

For example, for products classified under Harmonized System (HS) code 2202.10, the net weight of non-originating:

- a) sugar used in production cannot exceed 20% of the net weight of the product, and
- b) Chapter 4 material (dairy, honey, eggs) used in production cannot exceed 20% of the net weight of the product.







Canadian producers of certain juices (blueberry and cranberry) may also benefit from preferential tariff treatment under CETA through the alternative rules of origin associated with the Origin Quotas established under CETA. For Canadian producers of certain processed products that contain non-originating materials/ingredients in amounts that exceed the prescribed thresholds, CETA sets out volume-limited Origin Quotas (Annex 5A: Table A.3 of the Rules of Origin Procedures Protocol). Additional details will be available prior to CETA's entry into force.

## Classifying a Product

To determine whether your product qualifies for preferential duty-free access once CETA enters into force, you can seek an advanced ruling through the EU's <u>Binding Tariff Information (BTI) system</u>, which provides Canadian exporters with the opportunity to obtain a binding, written ruling concerning the tariff classification of their product prior to export. This provides exporters with assurance regarding the tariff classification that their product will receive, as well as further guidance and information regarding the rule of origin that the products must satisfy in order to benefit from preferential tariff treatment under CETA.



#### **Exporting to the EU**

Other requirements may apply (e.g., labelling, packaging, additives allowed) so make sure you are aware of them.

Learn more about CETA, doing business in Europe and other requirements that may apply, at: <a href="www.international.gc.ca/ceta">www.international.gc.ca/ceta</a> and <a href="www.agr.gc.ca/europe">www.agr.gc.ca/europe</a>

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