



Memorandum D11-5-9

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Canada–Colombia Free Trade Agreement (CCOFTA) Rules of Origin

In brief

1. This memorandum has been revised to describe the Canada-Colombia Free Trade Agreement (CCOFTA) Rules of Origin and to provide updated links to the text of the Agreement.
2. It has also been revised in order provide a link to the short supply list established by Canada and Colombia under the CCOFTA, reflecting the *Order Amending the Schedule to the Customs Tariff (CCOFTA Short Supply)*, effective January 10, 2020.
3. The editing revisions made in this memorandum do not affect or change any of the existing policies or procedures.

This memorandum provides a link to the Department of Justice for the official version of the [CCOFTA Rules of Origin Regulations](#) that are used to determine the entitlement of goods to preferential tariff treatment under the [CCOFTA](#).

Legislation

[Order Amending the Schedule to the Customs Tariff \(CCOFTA Short Supply\)](#)

[CCOFTA Rules of Origin Regulations](#)

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His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the recommendation of the Minister of Finance, pursuant to subsection 16(2) of the [Customs Tariff](#), hereby makes the annexed *CCOFTA Rules of Origin Regulations*.

Rules of Origin

1. The following provisions of the Free Trade Agreement between Canada and the Republic of Colombia, signed on November 21, 2008, have the force of law in Canada:
 - (a) Articles 301 to 305;
 - (b) Paragraphs 1 and 2 of article 306;
 - (c) Articles 307 to 315;
 - (d) Article 318; and
 - (e) Annex 301.

Coming into Force

¹2. These Regulations come into force on the day on which section 30 of the [Canada–Colombia Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act](#), chapter 4 of the Statutes of Canada, 2010, comes into force, but if they are registered after that day, they come into force on the day on which they are registered.

Guidelines and general information

1. The CCOFTA may be found on the [Global Affairs Canada](#) website.
2. [Chapter Three: Rules of Origin](#) of the CCOFTA contains the general rules of origin that set out the criteria to determine the originating status of a good, as well as other general conditions and requirements.
3. [Annex 301: Specific Rules of Origin](#) of the CCOFTA sets out the product specific rules of origin that establish the point at which materials or components have undergone sufficient production within the free trade area for the good produced to be considered originating.
4. [Article 317: Short Supply](#) of the Rules of Origin Chapter allows Canada and Colombia to agree that certain textile inputs are not available from domestic producers in commercial quantities in both Canada and Colombia. Textile yarns and fabrics that are agreed to be in short supply can be imported from outside Canada or Colombia and used by Canadian or Colombian producers to make originating textile or apparel goods that would be eligible to benefit from preferential tariff treatment under the agreement when that textile or apparel good is exported to the other Party.
5. Canada and Colombia have established a [short supply](#) list under the CCOFTA, effective January 10, 2020. Both countries also agreed to [procedures to guide the administration of the short supply process](#).

Additional Information

6. For more information, call the Border Information Service (BIS) at **1-800-461-9999** (accessible within Canada and the United States). If calling outside Canada and the United States, call 204-983-3500 or 506-636-5064. Long distance charges will apply. Our automated telephone service provides general information in English and French on CBSA programs, services and initiatives through recorded scripts. Live agents are also available to assist you from 6 am to 10 pm (eastern daylight time), 7 days a week. TTY is also available within Canada: **1-866-335-3237**. Alternatively, you may send your enquiries to the following address: contact@cbsa.gc.ca

¹ *[Note: Regulations in force August 15, 2011, see SI/2011-55.]

References	
Issuing Office	Trade and Anti-dumping Programs Directorate
Headquarters File	
Legislative References	<i>CCOFTA Rules of Origin Regulations</i> <i>Order Amending the Schedule to the Customs Tariff (CCOFTA Short Supply)</i> <i>Customs Tariff</i> <i>Canada–Colombia Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act</i>
Other References	<u>Canada–Colombia Free Trade Agreement (CCOFTA)</u>
Superseded Memorandum D	D11-5-9 dated April 15, 2014