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Highlights

This edition of TradeSmart highlights an increase in customs duty on wheat and wheaten flour; the insertion of a rebate item in order to create a rebate facility on certain hot-rolled steel plates; substitution of safeguard item to exclude certain hot-rolled steel plates from being subject to safeguard duty; upcoming sunset reviews, amendments to terminate anti-dumping duties on fully threaded screws, amendments to implement cheese tariff rate quota under the EPA agreement between the EU and SADC EPA states and clarification of SARS view on the declaration of personal effects intended for re-importation.

In addition to this edition also includes an invitation to complete questionnaire from the South African Maritime Safety Authority Act: Comprehensive Maritime

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Tariff Amendments

Action	Description	TSH/Rebate Item
Reduction in the rate of customs duty on canola seed by the substitution of tariff subheadings 1205.10 and insertion of tariff subheadings 1205.10.20 and 1205.10.90 contained in to Part 1 of Schedule No. 1.	Canola Seed	1205.10.20 and 1205.10.90
Insertion of a rebate provision in respect of ethyl alcohol by-product that has been used for industrial purposes or for the manufacture of other non-liquor products by the insertion of various items under rebate item 621.08 contained in Part 1D of Schedule No. 6.	Ethyl Alcohol By-Product	Rebate Item 621.08
Amendment to Part 1 of Schedule No. 1, by the substitution of tariff subheadings 1001.91 and 1001.99 as well as 1101.00.10 and 1101.00.90 to increase the rate of customs duty on wheat from 29,38c/kg to 43,72c/kg and wheaten flour from 44,06c/kg to 65,59c/kg in terms of the existing variable tariff formula.	Wheat Wheaten Flour	1001.91 and 1001.99 1101.00.10 and 1101.00.90
Creation of a rebate facility on certain flat-rolled steel plates (subjected to an ITAC permit) by the insertion of rebate item 460.15/7225.99/01.06 in Part 2 of Schedule No. 4.	Flat-rolled steel plates	Rebate item 460.15/7225.99/01.06
Exclusion of certain hot-rolled steel plates from being subject to safeguard duty by the substitution of safeguard item 260.03/7225.99/01.06 to exclude rebate item 460.15/7225.99/01.06 in Part 3 of Schedule No. 2.	Hot-rolled steel plates	Substitution of safeguard item 260.03/7225.99/01.06 to exclude rebate item 460.15/7225.99/01.06
Termination of anti-dumping duties on fully threaded screws with hexagon heads originating in or imported from the People's Republic of China by the deletion of items 215.02/7318.15.39/01.08; 215.02/7318.15.39/02.08 and 215.02/7318.15.39/03.08 in Part 1 of Schedule No. 2. with retrospective effect from 15 November 2017.	Fully threaded screws with hexagon heads originating in or imported from the People's Republic of China	The deletion of items 215.02/7318.15.39/01.08; 215.02/7318.15.39/02.08 and 215.02/7318.15.39/03.08
Implementation the SACU allocation of cheese tariff rate quota under the EPA agreement between the EU and SADC EPA states by amending the General Notes to Schedule No. 1, by the substitution of Table 1 in paragraph 3.1 to Note IJ.	Cheese tariff rate quota under the EPA agreement between the EU and SADC EPA states	General Notes to Schedule No. 1

Tariff Applications

The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (ITAC) has received applications for:

- An increase the Dollar-Based Reference Price (DBRP) for sugar, classifiable under tariff heading 17.01 from US\$566/ton to US\$856.32/ton;
- Initiation of sunset review of anti-dumping duties on plates and sheets, film, foil and strip of polymers of vinyl chloride organisation in or imported from China and Chinese Taipei' and
- Initiation of sunset review of anti-dumping duty on unframed glass mirrors of thickness of between 2mm or more but not exceeding 6mm originating in or imported from China.

Upcoming Sunset Reviews

The ITAC has published a notice of the upcoming sunset reviews and invites SACU manufacturers of the subject products who require continuation of the anti-dumping duties to submit a request for the duties to be reviewed. The request must be submitted to the ITAC no later than 25 June 2018.

The products covered by the notice are:

	Product	Country	Rate of Anti-Dumping Duty	Date of Imposition	Date of Expiry
1	Frozen Potato Chips	Belgium	5.81% - 30.77%	08/08/14	07/08/19

2	Frozen Potato Chips	Netherlands	12.52% -16.42%	08/08/14	07/08/19
3	Wire ropes	China	113,25%	08/08/14	07/08/19
4	Wire ropes	Germany	93% - 96%	08/08/14	07/08/19
5	Wire ropes	United Kingdom	76.17%	08/08/14	07/08/19
6	Gypsum Plasterboard	Indonesia	34.6%	01/08/14	31/07/19
7	Gypsum Plasterboard	Thailand	45%	01/08/14	31/07/19
8	Soda Ash	USA	8% - 40%	19/06/14	18/06/19

SA Travellers declaration of Personal Effects intended for re-importation

The South African Revenue Service (SARS) has released a media statement clarifying its position with regards to the declaration of personal effects intended for re-importation.

Travellers are expected to fill out a TC-01 (Traveller Card) for all their identifiable personal effects which will be recorded by a customs official on the Traveller declaration system (TRD1), authenticated and a copy retained by the traveller as proof of registration.

Failure to produce proof of registration may result in their personal effects being detained subject to customs duty, VAT and penalties for 'returning' personal effects.

An ITAC permit for used/second hand goods may also be required. The personal effects may be seized due to a failure to declare and moved to the State's Warehouse

Storage in a State's warehouse will add to costs and the State/SARS will not be liable for any losses or damages in a States warehouse

Additional Info

- [South African Maritime Safety Authority Act: Comprehensive Maritime Transport Policy: Small Harbours Regulatory Framework: Invitation to complete questionnaire](#) - Comment by: Monday, June 11, 2018

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