

**Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan
On Measures to Further Streamline Foreign Economic Activity and Improve the System of
Customs and Tariff Regulation of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

Over the past period, consistent efforts have been made in the country to integrate into the international economic community and create favorable conditions for business entities to engage in foreign economic activities.

However, the current system of customs and tariff regulation does not sufficiently stimulate the development of market-based competition principles. In particular, the provision of excessively broad exemptions from customs duties on imported goods does not contribute to effective tariff regulation, while individual preferences create unequal competitive conditions for entrepreneurial activities.

To establish an effective system of customs and tariff regulation aimed at promoting competitive production, fostering a healthy competitive environment, encouraging the export of high-value-added products, and ensuring the domestic market is supplied with high-quality consumer goods, the following measures are hereby adopted:

1. **Basic Principles** for further improving the system of customs and tariff regulation are established as follows:
 - Strengthening the regulatory function of customs tariffs, based on the priorities of economic sector development aimed at harmonious integration into global value chains;
 - Improving the system of tariff regulation of foreign economic activity, taking into account advanced international experience, principles, and norms;
 - Creating conditions to provide local producers with raw materials and components not produced in the republic or produced in insufficient quantities, used for manufacturing export-oriented products;
 - Maintaining favorable conditions for the import of modern technological equipment and machinery to establish new production facilities, as well as to intensify modernization and re-equipment processes of domestic production and accelerate the implementation of infrastructure projects;
 - Unifying customs duty rates for goods similar in type, purpose, properties, and composition, and close in their Foreign Economic Activity Commodity Nomenclature (FEACN) codes, to eliminate instances of their classification under positions with lower customs duty rates during customs clearance;
 - Unifying excise tax rates on excisable goods, applying them to goods harmful to human health and the environment.
2. **Approval of:**
 - Import customs duty rates as per **Annex No. 1**;
 - It is established that the rates approved under this paragraph shall take effect from **January 1, 2019**.
3. From **September 1, 2018**, the following procedures are established:
 - At border customs posts, customs authorities shall also conduct veterinary, phytosanitary, environmental, and sanitary-epidemiological controls during customs inspections;
 - For customs clearance of goods under the "release for free circulation (import)" regime, mandatory labeling of goods in the state language is not required. However, it is prohibited to issue certificates of conformity and sanitary-epidemiological conclusions for certain types of imported consumer goods (except for goods without consumer packaging and goods imported for own use) as per the list approved by the Cabinet of Ministers, if the manufacturer, authorized representative of the manufacturer, or importer has not applied

- labeling in the state language of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Uzbek alphabet based on Latin script), except in cases provided for by legislative acts.
4. The **Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan**, in collaboration with relevant ministries and agencies, shall ensure:
 - a) By **September 1, 2018**:
 - Submission of proposals to abolish exemptions from customs duties on goods imported into the republic;
 - Adoption of necessary measures to establish trade complexes in border areas for the convenient sale of goods;
 - Implementation on the website of the State Customs Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan of an interactive service called **"Integrated Tariff"**, enabling real-time access, free of charge, to detailed information on all regulatory documents governing the movement of goods across the customs border, documents required for customs clearance, customs duty rates for each product, issuing authorities for such documents, and other information relevant to foreign economic activities;
 - b) Within **two months**, the development and approval of:
 - A comprehensive list of information provided through the **"Integrated Tariff"** interactive service, including requirements for sanitary-quarantine, phytosanitary control, and veterinary supervision, as well as the issuance of other permits;
 - A technological instruction for the timely updating of information provided through the **"Integrated Tariff"** service, including provisions for holding relevant ministries and agencies accountable for untimely or poor-quality updates;
 - c) The uninterrupted operation and information security of the **"Integrated Tariff"** interactive service.
 5. It is established that state bodies are prohibited from requesting information or documents not specified in the **"Integrated Tariff"** interactive service when business entities engage in foreign economic activities.
 6. The **Committee for Competition Development and Consumer Rights Protection**, in collaboration with the **Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Uzbekistan**, shall take measures to enhance the effectiveness of mechanisms for identifying and preventing price collusion and coordinated actions by economic entities that restrict healthy competition.
 7. The following are **repealed** from **January 1, 2019**:
 - Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated **September 29, 2017**, No. PP-3303, "On Measures to Further Streamline Foreign Economic Activity of the Republic of Uzbekistan";
 - Annex No. 122 to the Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated **December 29, 2017**, No. PP-3454, "On the Forecast of Key Macroeconomic Indicators and Parameters of the State Budget of the Republic of Uzbekistan for 2018".
 8. The **State Customs Committee**, in collaboration with relevant ministries and agencies, shall, within **two months**, submit proposals to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan on amendments and additions to legislation arising from this Decree.
 9. **Supervisory responsibility** for the implementation of this Decree is assigned to:
 - Prime Minister of the Republic of Uzbekistan **A.N. Aripov**;
 - Prosecutor General of the Republic of Uzbekistan **O.B. Murodov**;
 - First Deputy State Advisor to the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan **B.M. Mavlonov**;
 - Chairman of the State Customs Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan **M.B. Azimov**.

President of the Republic of Uzbekistan
Sh. Mirziyoyev
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Annex No. 1

to the Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated June 29, 2018, No. PP-3818

Import Customs Duty Rates

FEACN Code (2017)	Product Description	Duty Rate (% of customs value or in USD per unit)
0101	Live horses, asses, mules, and hinnies	0
0102	Live bovine animals	0
0103	Live swine	0
0104	Live sheep and goats	0
0105	Live poultry, i.e., fowls (<i>Gallus domesticus</i>), ducks, geese, turkeys, and guinea fowls, except:	10
0105 11 — 0105 15	Live poultry weighing not more than 185 g	0
0106	Other live animals, except:	5
0106 11 001 0, etc.	For scientific research purposes	0
0201	Fresh or chilled bovine meat	0
0202	Frozen bovine meat	0
0203	Fresh, chilled, or frozen pork	10
0204	Fresh, chilled, or frozen sheep or goat meat	0
0205 00	Fresh, chilled, or frozen horse, ass, mule, or hinny meat	0
0206	Edible offal of bovine animals, swine, sheep, goats, horses, asses, mules, or hinnies, fresh, chilled, or frozen	10
0207	Meat and edible offal of poultry (heading 0105), fresh, chilled, or frozen	10
0208	Other meat and edible meat offal, fresh, chilled, or frozen	10
0209	Pig fat and poultry fat, fresh, chilled, frozen, salted, in brine, dried, or smoked	10
0210	Meat and edible meat offal, salted, in brine, dried, or smoked; edible flours and meals of meat or meat offal	10
0301	Live fish	5
0302	Fresh or chilled fish, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat (heading 0304)	5

FEACN Code (2017)	Product Description	Duty Rate (% of customs value or in USD per unit)
0303	Frozen fish, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat (heading 0304)	5
0304	Fish fillets and other fish meat, fresh, chilled, or frozen	5
0305	Fish, dried, salted, or in brine; smoked fish; fish meal fit for human consumption	5
0306	Crustaceans, live, fresh, chilled, frozen, dried, salted, or in brine; smoked crustaceans	5
0307	Molluscs, live, fresh, chilled, frozen, dried, salted, or in brine; smoked molluscs	5
0308	Aquatic invertebrates (other than crustaceans and molluscs), live, fresh, chilled, frozen, dried, salted, or in brine; smoked	5
0401	Milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter	0
0402	Milk and cream, concentrated or containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, except:	15
0402 10 190 0	Other milk and cream in powder, granules, or other solid forms, with fat content not exceeding 1.5%	5
0403	Buttermilk, curdled milk and cream, yogurt, kefir, and other fermented or acidified milk and cream	20, but not less than 0.30 USD/kg
0404	Whey; products consisting of natural milk constituents	0
0405	Butter and other fats and oils derived from milk; dairy spreads, except:	5
0405 20	Dairy spreads	15, but not less than 0.15 USD/kg
0406	Cheese and curd	15, but not less than 0.50 USD/kg
0407	Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, preserved, or cooked	30
0408	Birds' eggs, not in shell, and egg yolks, fresh, dried, cooked, frozen, or otherwise preserved	10
0409 00 000 0	Natural honey	10
0410 00 000 0	Edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified	10

(The table continues with similar structure for other codes and products as per the original document, truncated here for brevity. For the full list, refer to the original document.)

Notes:

- Import customs duty rate is **0%** until **January 1, 2026**, inclusive, for specified items.
- Import customs duty rate is **0%** until **June 30, 2020**, inclusive, for specified items.
- Import customs duty rate for ligatures used in the jewelry industry (FEACN code 7106 92 000 0) is **0%** from **October 1, 2024**, to **October 1, 2027**, inclusive.

- Import customs duty rate for finished jewelry (FEACN codes 7113 19 000 0 and 7114 19 000 0) is **10%** from **November 1, 2024**, to **January 1, 2027**, inclusive.

(National Database of Legislation, June 30, 2018, No. 07/18/3818/1421, and subsequent amendments as listed in the original document)