

## Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement (CUSMA)



## CUSMA Certification to Replace NAFTA Certificate of Origin on July 1, 2020

CUSMA, also known as "USMCA" in the U.S. and "T-MEC" in Mexico, will enter into force July 1, 2020. A NAFTA certificate of origin can no longer be used for goods released under CUSMA on or after the implementation date.

To qualify for preferential treatment under CUSMA, a certification of origin will be required effective July 1, 2020 for imported shipments valued above CA\$3,300.

The certification, provided by the exporter, importer, or producer of the goods, **must** contain a set of minimum data elements per CUSMA Chapter 5 - Annex 5-A:

- Which party is making the certification (importer, exporter, or producer)
- Certifier details: name, title, address, phone, email
- Exporter details: name, address, email, phone
- Producer details: name, address, email, phone
- Importer details: name, address, email, phone
- Description and HS tariff classification of the good

- Origin criteria
- Blanket period (if applicable)
- Signature and date, including the following statement: "I certify that the goods described in this document qualify as originating, and the information contained in this document is true and accurate. I assume responsibility for proving such representations, and agree to maintain and present upon request or to make available during a verification visit, documentation necessary to support this certification."

The certification of origin does not need to be in any specified format, and can be included on the commercial invoice, or any other shipping document.

It is the importer's responsibility to be in possession of the certification of origin at the time of importation. See CUSMA Chapter 5, Para 5.4.

## **UPS** recommends

Take the following actions prior to July 1 to claim preferential tariff treatment under CUSMA for shipments valued above CA\$3,300:

- Review the commodity-specific rules of origin to determine if your imported goods qualify for CUSMA.
  See Chapter 4 Rules of Origin.
- If they do, provide or ask your suppliers to provide a certification including the nine mandatory data elements, for each shipment tendered to UPS for release after July 1.
  - Download and complete a <u>CUSMA certification of origin</u> form and email to:
    - Canada imports: <u>CUSMA@ups.com</u>
    - U.S. imports: USMCA@ups.com
    - Mexico imports: <u>TMEC@ups.com</u>

Unless you have undertaken the above actions by the deadline, the Most Favoured Nation (MFN) duty rate will apply to subject goods effective July 1.



UPS can help with transitioning to CUSMA.

- Imports into Canada
- Imports into the U.S.