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Provision	CAFTA-DR	
GENERAL INFO & DATES		
Agreement Name	Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free	
	Trade Agreement	
Implementation Date	El Salvador: 3/1/06	Nicaragua: 4/1/06
	Honduras: 4/1/06	Guatemala: 7/1/06
	Dominican Republic: 3/1/07	Costa Rica: 1/1/09
Expiration	None	
Duty Phase-Out	January 1, 2025 (20 Years), Annex 3.3	
Merchandise Processing Fee (MPF)	Exempt for Originating Goods,19 CFR 24.23(c)(9)	
Imported Directly	May NOT leave customs' control nor undergo further	
	production in a non-party; 19 CF	R 10.604, GN 29(c)(iii)
Primary Responsibility for Compliance	Importer	
CITATIONS		
HTSUS General Note (GN)	GN 29	
US Code	19 USC 4001- 4111	
CFR	19 CFR 10.581-625 (Subpart J)	
Marking Rules	19 CFR 134	
Special Program Indicator	"P," "P+" for qualifying agricultural goods	
Verification Authority	Article 4.20; 19 CFR 10.616	



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Rules of Origin	Wholly Obtained or Produced, Tariff Shift & / or Regional Value Content, Wholly of Originating Materials, Qualifying Goods
Tariff Shift Rule Citation	GN 29(n)
Tariff Shift Rules Updated to Comply with 2007 HTSUS	No
Tariff Shift Rules Updated to Comply with 2012 HTSUS	No
Chemical Reaction and Related Rules of Origin	HTS Ch 27-40; GN 29(m)(vii)
Special Origination Rules	Qualifying Goods; GN 29(a)(ii) for certain CAFTA-DR agricultural goods
Drawback Restrictions	No
Repair & Alteration Provision	Duty Free per 19 CFR 10.624, 9802.00.40/50
Documentation required in the importer's possession at the time of claim	No, freeform "Certification" with the elements in 19 CFR 10.584 upon request by CBP



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VALUE	
Regional Value Content (RVC) Citations	19 CFR 10.595-596; GN 29(f)
Regional Value Content (RVC) Calculation Methods	Build-Up, Build-Down, Net-Cost (limited)
Special Regimen for Automotive Goods	Yes, automotive goods MAY use NC, BU or BD for RVC; 19 CFR 10.595(d); GN 29(f)(iii)
De Minimis for Non-Textiles (most common threshold)	10% of adjusted value (with exclusions); 19 CFR 10.598; GN 29(e)
De Minimis and Sets for Non-Textiles	Value of the non-originating components may not exceed 15% of the AV of the set; GN 29(c)(v); 19 CFR 10.605
INVENTORY MANAGEMENT METHODS	
Fungible Goods & Materials	LIFO, FIFO, Average, other GAAP-recognized method; GN 29(h)
CLAIMS & DETERMINATIONS	
Post-Importation Claims	19 USC 1520(d); 19 CFR 10.590 - 10.592
Reconciliation Claims	Yes, 71 FR 37596, June 30, 2006
Determinations Communicated to Exporter	Yes, if correspondence with exporter
Pattern of Conduct Clause	Yes, 19 CFR 10.619

