

eCustoms Helpdesk Notification

Number:	Ref: 25/2023	
Subject:	COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) 2023/1214 of 23 June 2023 amending	
	Regulation (EU) No 833/2014 concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine	
Who should read:	All traders that import from or export to Russia	
Related Notification:	eCustoms Notifications 16/2022 and 17/2022	
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eCustoms Notification16/2022 outlines EU sanctions measures relating to Russia as provided for in Council Regulation (EU) 2022/428.

The Regulation prohibits the import of iron and steel products as listed in Annex XVII of the Regulation into the Union if they originate in Russia; or have been exported from Russia (Article 3g).

Council Regulation (EU) 2023/1214 extends this prohibition to, imports or purchases, of iron and steel products, as listed in Annex XVII, processed in a third country that incorporate iron and steel products originating in Russia (Article 3g(1)(d)). Annex XVII corresponds to tariff headings 7206-7229 within Chapter 72, and the full Chapter 73. This measure comes into effect from 30 September 2023.

With regard to products classified under CN codes 7207 11, this prohibition shall apply as of 1 April 2024;

for products classified under CN codes 7207 12 10 and 7224 90 the prohibition will apply as of 1 October 2024

Article 3g(1)(d) also establishes an obligation for the importer in the EU to provide evidence of the country of origin of the iron and steel inputs used in the processing in a third country.

Such evidence should be available to Customs if requested, however to avoid delays it may be uploaded as a supporting document at the time of lodgement of the customs import declaration.

The following documents shall be acceptable as evidence: -

Mill Test Certificates as proposed by the Commission of the European Union, invoices, delivery notes, quality certificates, long-term supplier's declarations, calculation and production documents, customs documents from the last country where processing took place, business correspondence, production

descriptions, declarations of the manufacturer or exclusion clauses in purchase contracts, which show the non-Russian origin of the primary products.

Declarants should make themselves aware of the following codes and enter the relevant code for their consignment in data element 2.03 of the AIS import declaration:

L139	Import authorisation by virtue of article 3g.7 of Council Regulation (EU) 833/2014	Iron and Steel
Y824	Evidence of the country of origin of the iron and steel inputs used for processing of the product in a third country	Iron and Steel
Y859	Goods entered the territory of the customs union of the EU and presented to customs authorities prior to the entry into force or to applicability date of the present sanction, whichever is latest (see Article 12e of Regulation (EU) No 833/2014)	Iron and Steel

Further guidance will be provided once published by the European Commission.