

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Amendment of Coverage of Import Limits and Visa and Certification Requirements for Certain Part-Categories Produced or Manufactured in Various Countries

March 25, 1998.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs amending coverage for import limits and visa and certification requirements.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lori E. Mennitt, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

To facilitate implementation of the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, and textile agreements and export visa arrangements based upon the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS), certain HTS classification numbers are being changed for products in part-Categories 369-L and 670-L which are entered into the United States for consumption or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption on and after April 1, 1998, regardless of the date of export.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to amend all import controls and all visa and certification arrangements for countries with part-Categories 369-L and 670-L.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

March 25, 1998.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, all monitoring and import control directives issued to you by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, which include cotton and man-made fiber textile products in part-Categories 369-L and 670-L, produced or manufactured in various countries and imported into the United States on and after April 1, 1998, regardless of the date of export.

Also, this directive amends, but does not cancel, all directives establishing visa and certification requirements for part-Categories 369-L and 670-L for which visa arrangements are in place with the Government of the United States.

Effective on April 1, 1998, you are directed to make the changes shown below in the aforementioned directives for products entered in the United States for consumption or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption on and after April 1, 1998 for part-Categories 369-L and 670-L, regardless of the date of export:

Category	HTS change
369-L	Add 6307.90.9905—Cooler bags with an outer surface of textile materials, of cotton.
.....	Replace 4202.92.3015 with 4202.92.3016—definition remains unchanged.
670-L	Add 6307.90.9907—Cooler bags with an outer surface of textile materials, of man-made fibers.
.....	Replace 4209.92.3030 with 4209.92.3031—definition remains unchanged.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

[OMB Control Number 0704-0248]

Information Collection Requirements; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement, Appendix F, Material Inspection and Receiving Report

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed

information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. This information collection requirement is currently approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for use through August 31, 1998, under OMB Control Number 0704-0248. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through August 31, 2001.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by June 1, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Mr. R.G. Layser, PDUSD(A&T)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telefax number (703) 602-0350. E-mail comments submitted over the Internet should be addressed to: dfars@acq.osd.mil. Please cite OMB Control Number 0704-0248 in all correspondence related to this issue. E-mail comments should cite OMB Control Number 0704-0248 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rick Layser, (703) 602-0131. A copy of the information collection requirement is available electronically via the Internet at: <http://www.dtic.mil/dfars/>. Paper copies of the information collection requirement may be obtained from Mr. R.G. Layser, PDUSD(A&T)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Forms, and Associated OMB Control Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), Appendix F, Material Inspection and Receiving Report; DD Form 250; DD Form 250C; DD Form 250-1; OMB Control Number 0704-0248.

Needs and Uses: The collection of this information is necessary to process inspection and receipt of materials and payments to contractors under Government contracts.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations; and not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 988,000.
Number of Respondents: 7,800,000.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 7,800,000.
Average Burden Hours/Minutes Per Response: 8 minutes.
Frequency: On occasion.