

**NOTIFICATION OF PRESHIPMENT ACTIVITIES IN ACCORDANCE
WITH COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 3287/94**

GUIDELINES OF IMPORTS FOR THE TRADE	
PRE-SHIPMENT INSPECTION	
MEXICO	
<i>This data sheet has been prepared specifically in respect of exports to Mexico and supplements our publication "Pre-Shipments Inspection: Guidelines for Exporters"</i>	
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1. PRESHIPMENT INSPECTION (PSI) MANDATE	
PSI MANDATED BY :	Secretaría de Comercio y Fomento Industrial (SECOFI)
THE COUNTRY IS A MEMBER OF THE WTO:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
APPLICABLE REGULATION(S) :	'Agreement' on Automatic Import Advice published on July 27, 1998
APPOINTED PSI COMPANY(IES) :	SGS, BIVAC, Intertek Testing Services (ITS)
SELECTION OF PSI COMPANIES :	Importer's choice
SCOPE OF PSI :	<input type="checkbox"/> Quality and Quantity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quality & quantity (For price verification purposes only) <input type="checkbox"/> Export Market Price (For Foreign Exchange purposes) <input type="checkbox"/> Export Market Price (For Govt. Information purposes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Value for Customs purposes (Based on Gatt Valuation Code) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Customs classification (HS 2002 version) <input type="checkbox"/> Import eligibility <input type="checkbox"/> Risk Assessment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: : Description of Goods in accordance with "Annex 18 of the Miscellaneous Foreign Trade Resolution"
MINIMUM ORDER VALUE SUBJECT TO PSI :	USD 1,000 FOB or equivalent in other currencies
PART SHIPMENT :	Shipments of similar goods presented for customs clearance by the importer in the same day in 2 or more import declarations are subject to PSI if the total value of the shipments is above USD 1,000.
EXEMPTIONS FROM PSI :	See Section 7

2. INTERVENTION ORDER "I.O." (The instruction for SGS to intervene)	
I.O NAME :	S.I.P. (Solicitud de Inspección Pre-Embarque)
ISSUED BY :	Importer
VALIDITY :	No limit
AMOUNT BY WHICH I.O. VALUE MAY BE EXCEEDED :	No limit
CHANGES FROM SEA TO AIR :	Acceptable
DESTINATION INSPECTION :	Not permitted

3. INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS / RESTRICTION	
SEALING OF FCL CONTAINERS REQUIRED :	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Where all goods within the container are subject to PSI requirements
SECOND HAND GOODS LICENCE/APPROVAL REQUIRED :	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO N/A : Import of Second-hand goods not allowed
PROHIBITED IMPORTS :	Not applicable
RESTRICTED IMPORTS :	Not applicable
LABELLING REQUIREMENTS :	Not applicable
OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS :	Importers are required to provide on the SIP the full description of goods to be imported, following local regulations as per "Annex 18 of the Miscellaneous Foreign Trade Resolution." (see Section 10)

4. PRICE COMPARISON / SELLER'S INVOICE REQUIREMENTS	
BUYING / CONFIRMING COMMISSION :	Normal trade practice
INSURANCE :	No restriction
FINANCIAL INTEREST :	Normal trade practice
FINAL INVOICE TO SHOW :	FOB Value

5. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS	
DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO ISSUE REPORT :	Seller: Final Invoice Importer: Final Invoice (if not received from seller)
TYPE OF REPORT ISSUED :	To Seller: Security Label To importer: Informe de Verificación (Verification report)
REPORT PURPOSE :	To seller: For confirmation purposes To importer: For obtaining SECOFI 's import permit required for customs clearance

6. INSPECTION FEES	
<p>Paid by importer in country of importation. Nevertheless, SGS may invoice the seller in the event of abortive inspection visits. The costs incurred by the seller in presenting the goods for inspection, such as unpacking, repacking, etc, are for the account of the seller.</p>	

7. LISTING OF GOODS EXEMPTED FROM PSI	
<p>Only certain goods from certain origins detailed in Art.10 of the "Agreement on Automatic Import Advice" published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on July 27, 1998 are subject to Preshipment Inspection, when their unit value is inferior to the corresponding estimated price, as established in the Annex of the "Resolution determining the mechanism to secure the payment of contributions on goods subject to estimated prices by the Secretaria de Hacienda y Crédito Publico", published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on February 28, 1994, and their subsequent modifications. All other goods are exempted. Please refer to Section 10 for details on goods and origins potentially concerned by PSI. On July 9th 2001, 15 new HS codes related to the Textile industry have been added in the list of goods subject to compulsory PSI. In addition the Secretaría de Comercio y Fomento Industrial (SECOFI) has created a 5th group including Bangladesh as country of origin.</p>	

8. PROHIBITED IMPORTS

N/A

9. RESTRICTED IMPORTS

N/A

10. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

1. Goods subject to PSI when price below published reference price:



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2. Annex 18 of the "Miscellaneous Foreign Trade Resolution" :



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11. INSPECTION ZONES AND RESPONSIBLE COMPANIES

N/A

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