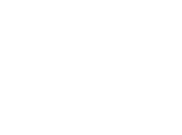
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**Australian Government Department of Home Affairs**

**Customs Duty Rate Changes for 1 April 2019: Japan-Australia Economic Partnership Agreement**

Australia has committed to progressively reduce the rates of customs duty on eligible Japanese originating goods through the Japan-Australia Economic Partnership Agreement.

The next reduction of customs duty rates will occur on 1 April 2019 and will affect certain imports of:

* textiles
* clothing
* footwear
* orthopaedic footwear

Note: phasing rates do not affect the import restrictions and border controls for prohibited goods as regulated by the *Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956*.

A full list of affected tariff subheadings is contained in Schedule 11 (Japanese Originating Goods) of the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*. Refer to webpage:[https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-](https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/tariff-classification/current-tariff/schedule-11) [manufacturing/tariff-classification/current-tariff/schedule-11](https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/tariff-classification/current-tariff/schedule-11)

Relevant changes to the Integrated Cargo System have been made and will commence on 1 April 2019.

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