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# Notice to Importers – General Import Permit No. 83 – Aluminum Products

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## 1.0 Purpose, Coverage and Duration

**1.1** The purpose of this Notice is to inform importers of the aluminum import monitoring program. Effective September 1, 2019, the Governor in Council has added certain aluminum products to the *Import Control List* (ICL) as item 83 and the Minister of Foreign Affairs has issued *General Import Permit* (GIP) No. 83 for importing certain aluminum products.

**1.2** The purpose of this program is to enable Global Affairs Canada to monitor imports of certain aluminum products and facilitate the collection of import data. In addition, importers may be required, upon request, to provide to Global Affairs Canada documents and records for the purpose of identifying any errors in import data and determining the source of any inconsistencies in a targeted manner.

**1.3** The aluminum import monitoring program does not limit the quantity of aluminum products that may be imported into Canada.

**1.4** This Notice applies to all aluminum products imported under the authority of GIP No. 83, which are described below.

**1.5** This Notice will remain in effect, unless superseded by a further Notice or otherwise repealed.

## 2.0 Authority

**2.1** The aluminum import monitoring program is conducted under the authority of paragraph 5(1)(e) and section 6 of the *Export and Import Permits Act* (EIPA). Paragraph 5(1)(e) of the EIPA provides authority for adding goods to the ICL for the purposes of implementing an intergovernmental arrangement or commitment. Pursuant to section 6, the Governor in Council has the discretion to revoke, amend, vary or re-establish the ICL.

**2.2** The GIP is issued under the authority of subsection 8(1.1) of the EIPA.

## 3.0 Import requirements and procedures

**3.1** Pursuant to the provisions of subsection 8(1.1) of the EIPA, a GIP has been established for item 83 (Aluminum products). The import documentation for each shipment of aluminum products must state that it is being imported under the authority of GIP No. 83. This requirement applies to all aluminum products in item 83 of the ICL: Alloyed and not alloyed unwrought aluminum products, and wrought aluminum products limited to bars, rods, profiles, wires, plates, sheets, strips, foils, tubes and pipes, tube and pipe fittings and other articles of castings and forgings. The specific Harmonized System codes of the goods covered by this GIP are set out in the Commodity Codes Handbook.

**3.2** Customs brokers and importers utilizing this Permit must comply with the requirements of the GIP. They are requested to ensure that quantity (in kilograms), value (in Canadian dollars and excluding freight costs), product classification, country of origin, U.S. state of export (if applicable), supplier name and address and importer name are given correctly, if necessary by amending the import documentation. Only Canadian residents may utilize the GIPs. Customs brokers and importers utilizing this Permit are urged to cooperate fully with the Trade and Export Controls Bureau of Global Affairs Canada, as administrators of the monitoring program. Such cooperation and the provision of complete and accurate information in their customs declaration forms will enhance the reliability of the data and reduce the burden of post-clearance auditing.

**3.3** Failure to cite the required GIP or not complying with the terms and conditions of the Permit may lead to the levying of penalties by the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) under the Administrative Monetary Penalty System, which authorizes the CBSA to assess monetary penalties for non-compliance with customs legislative, regulatory and program requirements. Importers may also face prosecution under the EIPA for contravening a provision of the Act or its regulations (section 19). Compliance is monitored by the CBSA and Global Affairs Canada.

## 4.0 Terms and Conditions

**4.1** If requested by Global Affairs Canada, a resident of Canada who imports goods under the authority of this Permit must within 10 days after receipt of a request, provide the documents and records referred to in section 4.3 in respect of any import made during the period specified in the request.

**4.2** After receipt of such a request, the importer must at all reasonable times make the documents and records referred to in section 4.3 available for inspection by any authorized persons, provide all reasonable assistance to facilitate the inspection, and provide any documents and records necessary for making a determination on the country of origin, import value or quantity of the aluminum products, within the specified time period.

**4.3** A resident of Canada who imports goods under this Permit must retain for a period of six years after the year in which the import is made, documents and records containing the following information:

- the name and the address of the importer or consignee;
- proof of Canadian residency;
- the date of entry of the goods into Canada;
- the quantity, expressed in kilograms, of the goods;
- the country from which the goods are imported;
- the country of origin of the goods;
- the shipment document with freight and other transportation costs indicated separately;
- the tariff classification of the goods indicated in the List of Tariff Provisions set out in the *schedule to the Customs Tariff*;
- the import value in Canadian dollars; and
- a detailed description of the goods.

## 5.0 Permit fees

**5.1** No fees are payable.

## 6.0 Contact Us

**6.1** Enquiries may be addressed to:

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