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Report Highlights:

The Secretariat of Treasury published a Modification to the Foreign Trade Rules for 2007. Among the most important features included in this report, under Annex 21, are the modifications to the authorized crossing points for the import of a wide variety of agricultural products.

Includes PSD Changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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Introduction: This report summarizes an announcement from the Secretariat of Treasury (SHCP) published in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" (Federal Register) on March 18, 2008.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

Title: Modifications to the Foreign Trade Rules for 2007 – Annex 21.

Important Dates

1. Publication Date: March 18, 2008.

2. Effective Date: March 19, 2008.

FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary: On March 18, 2008, the Secretariat of Treasury published a Modification to the Foreign Trade Rules for 2007. Specifically, Annex 21 which establishes the authorized crossing points for the import of a wide variety of agricultural products modified the identification of one single point of entrance and cancelled one sub fraction and its reference to an authorized crossing point.

The following chapters that once listed "*Aguascalientes (only at the Aguascalientes Custom Section located in the San Luis Potosí International Airport "Ponciano Arriaga")*", were modified to list "Aguascalientes" as an eligible crossing point. ([See MX7063](#))

Note: Changes are highlighted in **BOLD**.

Chapter III, for beer classified under H.T.S. 2203.00.01 continues establishing 29 eligible crossing border points:

Acapulco.

Aguascalientes

Agua Prieta.

Altamira.

Cancun.

Ciudad Hidalgo.

Ciudad Juarez.

Ciudad Reynosa.

Colombia.

Ensenada.

Guaymas.

La Paz.

Lazaro Cardenas.

Manzanillo.

Matamoros.

Mazatlan.

Mexicali.

Nogales.

Nuevo Laredo.

Piedras Negras.

Progreso.
Salina Cruz.
Subteniente Lopez
Tampico.
Tecate.
Tijuana.
Tuxpan.
Veracruz.
Mexico City International Airport.

While for Chapter XI, sub fraction f) was canceled as was its reference to the Guanajuato customs, other sub fractions remains unchanged:

- a). Meat preparations, mechanically deboned meat from hoofed animals and food preparation classified under:
- b). Milk and dairy products, baby formulas, bakery products, ice cream, food preparations and beverages containing milk classified under:
- c). Live animals classified under:
- d). Products of animal origin, animal oil and fats, residues from the food industry, animal feed, glands, organs, secretions, serum, vaccinations, animal fertilizers, casein, etc classified under:
- e). Hides and skins products, wool and hair classified under:
- f). Milking equipment, feed animal equipment, meat preparation equipment, agricultural machinery equipment CANCELLED**
- g). Bovine, equine, swine and caprine semen and embryos classified under:
- h). Other products not included in the previous sections but classified under:

Eligible crossing border points for these fractions are:

Acapulco (only for products included in section e)

Aguascalientes.

Agua Prieta.
Altamira.
Cancun.
Ciudad Acuña.
Ciudad Camargo.
Ciudad Hidalgo.
Ciudad Juarez.
Ciudad Miguel Aleman.

Ciudad Reynosa (Custom Section “Nuevo Amanecer”).

Colombia.

Ensenada.

Guadalajara.

Guanajuato and the Guanajuato International Airport Custom Section at Silao municipality in Guanajuato state (only for sections b, d, e, **f CANCELLED** and g)

Guaymas.

Lazaro Cárdenas.

Manzanillo.

Matamoros.

Mazatlan.

Mexicali.

Monterrey.

Nogales.

Nuevo Laredo.

Ojinaga.

Piedras Negras.

Progreso.

Puerto Palomas (only H.T.S 8701.90.01, 8701.90.03, 8701.90.04, 8701.90.05 & 8701.90.99).

Querétaro.

Salina Cruz.

San Luis Río Colorado.

Tampico (only sections e & h).

Tijuana.

Toluca.

Tuxpan, (only sections a, b, c, d, g y h).

Veracruz.

Mexico City International Airport.

For Chapter XIX, pertaining to hides and skin products under the following H.T.S., the number of crossing points is 19.

Aguascalientes.

Altamira.

Ciudad Hidalgo.

Ciudad Juarez.

Guadalajara.

Guanajuato and the Custom Section at the International Airport in Silao, Guanajuato.

Guaymas.

Lazaro Cárdenas.

Manzanillo.

Matamoros.

Mazatlan.

Mexicali.
Nuevo Laredo.
Piedras Negras.
Querétaro.
Tampico.
Tijuana.
Veracruz.
Mexico City International Airport

Chapter XXI, Wines and Liquors that are classified under the following H.T.S, the authorized crossing border points are:

Mexico City International Airport.

Aguascalientes.

Altamira.
Cancun.
Ciudad Juarez.
Ciudad Hidalgo.
Colombia.
Ciudad Reynosa.
Ensenada.
Guadalajara.
Guanajuato.
La Paz.
Manzanillo.
Mazatlan.
Mexicali.
México.
Monterrey.
Nogales.
Nuevo Laredo.
Progreso.
Puebla.
Querétaro.
Subteniente Lopez
Tampico.
Tijuana.
Tuxpan.
Veracruz.

Chapter I, pertaining to birds in brine, classified under HTS 0210.99.03; Chapter XII for Apples classified under H.T.S. 0808.10.01; Chapter XVI for potatoes for planting under H.T.S. 0701.10.01; Chapter XVIII fresh or chilled potatoes under H.T.S. 0701.90.99., and Chapter XXIII Peppers (Hot Chili) classified under H.T.S. 0904.20.01 y 0904.20.99 were kept unchanged. Also, for one of the most important chapters within Annex 21, chapter XX—which pertains to the authorized border crossing points for the import of meat and edible offals—

there were no changes. The annex continues listing 22 eligible ports of entrance for these products. ([See MX7063](#))

Post does not foresee any negative trade impact on the above-mentioned commodities due to the implementation of the adjusted provisions.

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