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# **Poultry and Products**

### **Mexico Clarifies NAFTA Tariff for MDM**

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#### **Report Highlights:**

On April 28, 2000, Mexico's Secretariat of Commerce and Industrial Development (SECOFI) clarified the NAFTA tariff for mechanically deboned poultry meat (MDM). On December 31, 1999, SECOFI created four new tariff classifications for these products, but the NAFTA tariffs it published separately that same day did not reflect these new tariff lines.

On April 28, 2000, Mexico's Secretariat of Commerce and Industrial Development (SECOFI) clarified the tariffs that would apply on four tariff lines for imports of mechanically deboned chicken and turkey carcasses (see details in table below) from the U.S., Canada, Colombia, Venezuela, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Chile and Nicaragua. For the United States, these new lines fall under a tariff-rate quota. SECOFI published this announcement in the *Diario Oficial* (Mexican Federal Register) and it took effect on April 29, 2000.

This clarification was necessary because on SECOFI created the subject lines on December 31, 1999, but omitted them from the tariff schedule which it published on the same day.

HTS#	Product Description	Tariff Rate Quota for 2000 Exempted	Tariff if TRQ is filled
0207.13.02	Chicken carcasses	32,239.4 Metric tons	148.2
0207.14.03	Chicken carcasses	This quota is for all MDM including the following categories 0207.13.01,	148.2
0207.26.02	Turkey carcasses	0207.14.01, 0207.26.01,	148.2
0207.27.03	Turkey carcasses	0207.27.01	148.2

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