

TEXTILE DECLARATION

Applicable Regulations: U.S. Customs Service 19 CFR 12.130-132

BACKGROUND: A Textile Declaration is required on all shipments of textiles or textile products valued over \$250.00 U.S. funds. However, certain textiles or textile products valued between \$0.00 to \$250.00 U.S. funds do require Textile Declarations. The declaration(s) may be prepared by the manufacturer, producer, exporter, or importer of the textile or textile products.

The single country declaration should be completed for textile or textile products which are wholly the manufacture of a single foreign country. If the textiles or textile products were manufactured or processed in more than one foreign country the multiple country declaration should be utilized.

NORTH AMERICAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (NAFTA)

Textile and apparel goods being entered under NAFTA may require additional declarations along with the textile declaration for the finished goods being imported into the United States. Per 19 CFR 12.132(b), "...if there are multiple manufacturers or producers, a separate declaration by each manufacturer or producer shall be furnished by the importer. Packaging operations shall not be considered manufacture or production for purposes of this paragraph."

This regulation continues under 12.132(c): "If the [U.S. Customs] district director is unable to determine the country of origin of the goods because the information contained in a declaration is incomplete, the shipment to which that declaration pertains shall not be entitled to preferential tariff treatment or any other benefit under the NAFTA for which it would otherwise be eligible."

TEXTILE DECLARATION SINGLE COUNTRY DECLARATION

1. Person's name completing the declaration.
2. Indicate the country/countries of origin of the raw material.
3. Marks or style numbers.
4. Description of article and quantity.
5. State the country (or alphabetical designation) of the country of origin of the finished article.
6. Date of exportation.
7. Signature of document preparer.
7. Signature of document preparer.
8. Name of document preparer typed or legibly written.
9. Title of document preparer.
10. Name and address of firm represented.
10. Name and address of firm represented.
11. Today's date.