

2025 TARIFF QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE



Steel & Aluminum Tariffs – Key Changes & Compliance Updates

What's Changing?

- **25% tariff on steel & aluminum imports** begins March 12, 2025, impacting key industries.
- **Previous trade exemptions** for Canada, Mexico, the EU, and the UK are revoked.
- **New 25% tariff applies to derivative products**
 - Importers **still pay base duties** on full product.
 - **Extra 25% tariff applies only to derivatives** in the final product.
- **No duty refunds (drawbacks)** will be available.

Steps for Importers to Ensure Compliance

- ✓ **Review HTS Codes** – Confirm classification
- ✓ **Obtain Required Documentation** – Proper supplier verification is critical.
- ✓ **Confirm FTZ Classification** – Goods must be classified before entry into the U.S. market.
- ✓ **Prepare for Cost Increases** – Update procurement & pricing strategies accordingly.
- ✓ **Watch for Updates** – Additional regulations or retaliatory measures may be introduced.

Check Your HTS Code

A wide range of steel & aluminum products are affected. Use our **Steel & Aluminum Tariff Impact List** to check your product classification:

How to Check if Your Product is Affected:

1. Look up your HTS code in the provided list.
2. If your product is highlighted yellow, a 25% tariff applies.
3. If your product is not highlighted, it remains tariff-exempt.

Compliance & Documentation Requirements

- ⚠ **Foreign Trade Zones (FTZs):** Goods entering FTZs must be classified as "privileged foreign status"—tariffs apply when entering U.S. commerce.
- ⚠ **Supplier Documentation:** Importers must confirm proof of origin and HTS classification before shipment.
- ⚠ **CBP Enforcement:** U.S. Customs will strictly monitor misclassification and impose penalties for incorrect reporting.
- ⚠ **Steel Exemption Criteria:** Steel melted & poured in the U.S. but processed abroad may be exempt if proper certification is submitted.

Resources & Key Documents

Federal Register Notices:

[Steel Tariffs & HTS List](#)

[Aluminum Tariffs & HTS List](#)

White House Proclamations:

[Steel Tariff Details](#)

[Aluminum Tariff Details](#)

Steel & Aluminum Tariff Impact Lists:


✓ [All HTS Codes from Impacted Chapters](#)

✓ [Impacted HTS Codes Only](#)

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HOW DO THE NEW TARIFFS WORK?



STEEL & ALUMINUM TARIFF OVERVIEW

A new 25% tariff is coming on March 12, 2025. It applies to steel, aluminum, and some products that contain them.

What's Changing?

- ✓ Some products **now cost more to import** because of the **extra 25% tariff**.
- ✓ If your product is **raw steel or aluminum**, the **tariff is added on top** of any existing fees.
- ✓ If your product **contains** steel or aluminum (**like a gas grill or a power tool**), part of it **gets the extra tax**.

RAW STEEL & ALUMINUM

If you import **just steel or aluminum**, you **now pay more**.

- ➔ **Before:** If the duty was 5%, you paid \$5 tax per \$100.
- ➔ **Now:** You **add the 25% tariff**, so you pay **\$30 per \$100** instead. 😞

HOW TO CHECK

How to Check if Your Product is Affected:

- 1 Open the **Steel & Aluminum Tariff Impact Lists** to find your HTS Code and see if the **25% tariff applies**.
- 2 Use 'Ctrl + F' (Windows) or 'Cmd + F' (Mac) to search by **HTS Code** or **product description** if needed.

- 📁 [All HTS Codes from Impacted Chapters](#)
- 📁 [Impacted HTS Codes Only](#)

FINISHED GOODS

If your product **has metal parts** (but isn't 100% metal), the **steel/aluminum portion gets charged extra duties**.

👉 Example: A Gas Grill

- ➔ **Before:** A \$500 gas grill with metal parts had a **3.5% base duty** → **\$17.50 total duty**
- ➔ **Now:** The same grill **still pays the 3.5% base duty (\$17.50)**, but **also gets a 25% tariff on its \$300 metal parts (\$75)**.

= New Total Duty: \$92.50

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China, Canada & Mexico Tariffs – Latest Updates & Trade Impacts

What's Changing?

- **China Tariffs:** A 10% tariff remains on key imports from China, including Hong Kong.
- **Canada & Mexico Tariffs:** A 25% tariff was planned for all imports from Canada & Mexico, but enforcement is temporarily paused until March 4, 2025 pending further negotiations.
- **Expanded Scope:** Some derivative products and key industries (e.g., auto, electronics, machinery) now fall under these tariffs.

Trade Impacts & Compliance Considerations

- ⚠ **Canada & Mexico** have signaled countermeasures on U.S. exports, including automotive, manufacturing, and industrial machinery.
- ⚠ **China** has imposed new tariffs on key U.S. exports, including energy products (coal, LNG, crude oil), agricultural machinery, and certain automobiles, in response to U.S. tariff policy. Additional trade restrictions may follow.
- ⚠ Goods stored in Foreign Trade Zones (FTZs) may face immediate tariffs upon entering U.S. commerce.

Steps for Importers to Ensure Compliance

- ✓ **Review HTS Codes** – Verify tariff classification in the [latest HTS list](#)
- ✓ **Confirm Applicable Rates** – Tariffs may vary based on product origin.
- ✓ **Adjust Procurement & Pricing** – Plan for cost increases & potential delays.
- ✓ **Monitor Updates** – Tariff pauses for Canada/Mexico may be lifted after 30 days.
- ✓ **Prepare for Documentation Changes** – Verify classification & supplier paperwork.

Resources & Key Documents

Federal Register Notices:

[China Tariff](#)

White House Proclamations:

[Illicit Drug Flow Tariffs – Canada & Mexico](#)

[Southern Border Tariffs – Canada & Mexico](#)

[Synthetic Opioid Tariffs – China](#)

China Tariff Impact List:

[Impacted HTS List](#)

Retaliatory Measures & Other Trade Updates

Canada's Response: Proposed a 25% tariff on \$155 billion worth of U.S. goods, targeting sectors like agriculture and manufacturing.


Mexico's Response: Reviewing potential countermeasures in response to U.S. tariffs.

China Tariff Updates: A 10% tariff on Chinese imports took effect on February 4, 2025.

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