

MEASURES

Mexico adheres to the International System of Units. Importers will usually require metric labelling for packaged goods. Dual labelling is acceptable.

Electrical voltage is the same as in Canada. Electric power is 60 cycles, with normal voltage of 110, 200 and 440 volts with a frequency of 60 MHz. Three-phase and single-phase 230 volt current is also available. The norm is 60-cycle, 115/120 volts throughout Mexico, including industrial machinery. Power supply for industrial operations is 440 volts, three-phase, 60-cycle.

The high altitudes of many major plant locations may necessitate changes to some industrial processes, machinery and packaging. For instance, bakery products will perform quite differently when cooked at a higher altitudes and ovens must be adjusted accordingly.



LABELLING

All consumer products must bear a label in Spanish when it enters Mexico. The labels must meet several very specific content rules. Most capital goods are exempted from this regulation. Exporters should verify the labelling requirements with their customers before the goods leave Canada.