

HERRING

[Clupea harengus] Spanish: arenque French: haring

There is virtually no trade in these species, either in fresh or frozen products. Only smoked (golden) herring is sold in Spain, especially in regions along the Mediterranean coast. Herring is traditionally imported from Norway for this market, in wooden crates weighing 6-7kg and 9kg (net) and with 90-100% of roes.

There is one firm which imports fresh, boneless herring fillets (with skins) in 5kg boxes. It then sells this product for smoking at Pts 275/kg.

Fresh herring is classified under the following Tariff Codes:

03.02.40.10.0.00 E - exempt from duty from February 15 through June 15, and therefore subject only to a fee of Pts 2.60/kg (net) during this period.

03.02.40.90.0 10 G - subject to duty of 5.7% from June 16 through February 14, plus the fee of Pts 2.60/kg (net weight).

Frozen herring is classified under the following Tariff Codes:

03.03.50.10.0.00 A - subject to 8.2% duty from February 15 through June 15.

03.03.50.90.0.00 D - subject to duty of 15% from June 16 through February 14.

Fresh herring fillets:

03.04.90.21.0.00 I - subject to duty of 8.2% from February 15 through June 15.

03.04.90.25.0.00 E - subject to duty of 15% from June 16 through February 14.

Smoked herring (including fillets):

03.05.42.00.0.00 B - imports of Clupea harengus harengus and

C. harengus palasii are subject to duty of 13%.