

foreign-produced goods subsequently imported into the U.S., may be deducted from the value for duty. This is, of course, provided the parts have not been subject to any further fabrication while abroad, except operations incidental to the assembly process such as cleaning, lubricating and painting.

Special U.S. Customs procedural requirements must be followed upon the exportation and return of American goods. Details may be obtained from United States Import Specialists at border points or from the U.S. Marketing Division, Department of External Affairs, Ottawa.

Customs Entry Assistance

To facilitate access into the United States marketplace, a Canadian exporter should have information on customs documentation, tariff classification, rates of duty and value for duty. It is also advisable to examine the many other U.S. laws and regulations affecting imports such as those relating to food and drugs, consumer product safety, environmental protection, etc.

Such U.S. import information is readily available from:

U.S. Marketing Division (UTM)
Department of External Affairs
Lester B. Pearson Building
125 Sussex Drive
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0G2
Tel: (613) 593-7484

The Division is constantly in contact with the U.S. Customs Service and other agencies on behalf of Canadian exporters and, over the years, has developed an in-depth knowledge of the interpretation and implementation of U.S. tariffs and regulations related to access for imports of Canadian products into the United States marketplace.

The Division can also provide Canadian exporters with information and assistance regarding: labelling of food, drug, cosmetic and alcohol products; customs penalty assessments; customs valuation; consumer product safety standards; and other questions related to U.S. market access.