

Re-Exports:

The Government of Canada will, so far as possible, inform the competent authorities of the exporting countries when imports into Canada of textile and clothing products subject to the restraint arrangements are subsequently re-exported from Canada. The amounts involved may then be credited back to the appropriate restraint levels.

Consultations:

Each restraint arrangement contains a consultation provision. According to this provision, either party has the right to request consultations with the other party on any matter arising from the implementation or operation of the restraint arrangements or on any matter germane thereto.

Product Coverage and Extended Fibre Coverage:

For the purpose of the restraint arrangements, the expression "textiles" will have the meaning ascribed to the expression in Article 12.1 of the MFA. In addition, some products made of vegetable fibres and/or silk are also included in restraint coverage with the four major suppliers (Hong Kong, Korea, Taiwan Textile Federation, and the People's Republic of China) and two smaller suppliers (Indonesia, Macau). For certain categories in these arrangements, coverage is now expanded to products which are wholly or mainly (i.e. 50% or more) by weight of cotton, other vegetable fibres, wool, man-made fibres, silk, or blends thereof. Excluded are products containing more than 85% by weight of vegetable fibres other than cotton or more than 70% by weight of silk fibres.

For the purpose of classifying textile and clothing products in the appropriate category, the definitions set out in Annex II of the arrangements will apply.

Handloom, Cottage Industry and Handicraft Products:

Article 12.3 of the MFA provides that restraint arrangements should not apply to developing country exports of handloom fabrics of the cottage industry, hand-made cottage industry products made of such handloom fabrics, and traditional folklore handicraft textile products. The restraint arrangements with India, Macau, Malaysia, Maldives, Pakistan, Philippines, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, and Thailand have specific provisions exempting products from the restraint arrangements provided that shipments are accompanied on importation by a certificate validated by the competent authority of the exporting country.