

## **BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT:**

### **Preferred Distribution Channels**

This information is currently unavailable.

### **Financial Practices**

This information is currently unavailable.

### **Standards**

The power supply for the UK market is 240v 50 cycle and Canadian suppliers must be prepared to manufacture to this standard.

### **Import Regime**

There are no non-tariff barriers to the importation of packaging equipment/machinery into the U.K. The duty would range from 3.5% to 5.8%, dependent upon the product end use/description (HS codes):

- 8422.20, Machinery for cleaning or drying bottles or other containers; 3.5%
- 8422.30, Machinery for filling, closing, sealing, capsuling or labelling bottles, cans, boxes, bags or other containers; 3.5%
- 8422.40, Other packing or wrapping machinery; 3.5%
- 8423.30, Constant weight scales and scales for discharging a predetermined weight of material into a bag or container, including hopper scales; 4.4%
- 8428.39, Other continuous-action elevators and conveyors, for goods or materials; 4.1% per kg
- 8442.30, Flexographic printing machinery; 4.1% per kg
- 8452.21, Sewing machines, automatic units; 4.4%
- 8465.92, Planning, milling or moulding (by cutting) machines (use for roller die cutting equipment); 5.8%

(NB duty is charged per kilogram or number whichever is the greater, unless otherwise stated.)

### **Protection of Technology**

This information is currently unavailable.

### **Language Requirements**

This information is currently unavailable.

### **Language for Promotional Materials**

This information is currently unavailable.

### **Canadian Government Initiatives and Trade Shows**

The next federal government sponsored activity in this market will be at Pakex '92, June 3-9, 1992.

There are two major European packaging exhibitions that provide a showcase for the industry and, these take place in Dusseldorf, Germany, and at the national Exhibition Centre, Birmingham. Exhibitor attendance or visits to either or both of these fairs should enable potential new exporters to make a preliminary market assessment. The next Pakex exhibition will be in June 1991.