An import permit requirement applies to clothing from all sources, restrained or unrestrained, and provides a basis for constant monitoring of import increases which might be disruptive to the Canadian market.

Since September 1984, Canada has negotiated new restraint arrangements with Bangladesh, Turkey and Maldives as well as unilaterally imposing a quota on imports of tailored-collar shirts from Vietnam. In addition, negotiations have been concluded to expand the product coverage of restraint arrangements with Bulgaria, China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mauritius, Pakistan, Singapore, Sri Lanka and Thailand.