

Commission notice concerning the application of the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin or the protocols on rules of origin providing for diagonal cumulation between the Contracting Parties to this Convention

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For the purpose of the application of diagonal cumulation of origin among the Contracting Parties to the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin¹ (hereafter referred to as ‘the Convention’), the Parties concerned notify each other, through the European Commission, of the origin rules in force with the other Parties.

It is recalled that diagonal cumulation can only be applied if the Parties of final manufacture and of final destination have concluded free trade agreements with all the Parties participating in the acquisition of originating status, i.e. with all the Parties from which the materials used originate. Materials originating in a Party which has not concluded an agreement with the Parties of final manufacture and/or of final destination shall be treated as non-originating. Specific examples are given in the Explanatory Notes concerning the pan-Euro-Mediterranean protocols on rules of origin².

Based on the notifications made by the Parties to the European Commission, the tables attached specify:

Table 1 – a simplified overview of cumulation possibilities.

Tables 2 and 3 – the date from which diagonal cumulation becomes applicable.

In Table 1, ‘C’ marks the existence between 2 partners of a free trade agreement containing rules of origin allowing cumulation based on 2012 rules³. To use diagonal cumulation with a third partner, ‘C’ should be present in all the intersection of the table between the 3 partners.

In Table 1, ‘R’ marks the existence between 2 partners of a free trade agreement containing rules of origin allowing cumulation based on 2023 rules⁴ or based on the Transitional rules⁵. In case of partners applying the Transitional rules ‘T’ is also added in Table 1. To use diagonal cumulation with a third partner, ‘R’ should be present in all the intersection of the table between the 3 partners.

For the purpose of the application of the transitional provisions introduced by JC Decision 2/2024 applicable between two CPs, materials originating in another CP in accordance with

¹ OJ L 54, 26.2.2013, p. 4.

² OJ C 83, 17.4.2007, p. 1.

³ 2012 rules: the rules in Appendix 1 of the Convention in its version as published in the EU OJ L54 of 26 February 2013 and Bilateral protocols applicable between CPs containing the rules of origin preceding the Convention published in the EU OJ L54 of 26 February 2013

⁴ 2023 rules: the rules in Appendix 1 of the Convention in its version as amended by Decision No 1/2023 of the Joint Committee and published in EU OJ L 2024/390 of 19 February 2024.

⁵ The alternative set of rules of origin, based on the 2023 rules applicable on a bilateral basis between CPs

2012 rules can be used in cumulation under 2023 rules by applying the principle of permeability as provided by the Sole Article, paragraph 2 of that Decision.

However, there are some exceptions to diagonal cumulation. For such cases, either (1), (2) or an (*) will point out the exceptions to consider.

In Table 2, the dates mentioned refer to:

- The date of application of diagonal cumulation on the basis of Article 3 of Appendix I to the Convention where the free trade agreement concerned refers to the Convention. In that case the date is preceded by ‘(C)’;
- The date of application of the protocols on rules of origin preceding the Convention providing for diagonal cumulation attached to the free trade agreement concerned, in other cases;
- The date of application of diagonal cumulation on the basis of Article 7 of Appendix I to the Convention as amended by Decision No 1/2023 of the Joint Committee of the Convention of 7 December 2023⁶. In that case the date is preceded by ‘(R)’

In Table 3 the dates mentioned refer to the date of application of the protocols on rules of origin providing for diagonal cumulation attached to the free trade agreements between the EU, Türkiye and the participants to the EU's Stabilisation and Association Process. Each time a reference to the Convention is made in a free trade agreement between Parties in this table, a date preceded by ‘(C)’ and/or ‘(R)’, as the case may be, has been added in Table 2.

It is also recalled that materials originating in Türkiye covered by the EU- Türkiye customs union can be incorporated as originating materials for the purpose of diagonal cumulation between the European Union and the countries participating in the Stabilisation and Association Process with which an origin protocol is in force.

The codes for the Contracting Parties listed in the tables are given here below.

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| – European Union | EU |
| – EFTA States: | |
| – Iceland | IS |
| – Switzerland (including Liechtenstein) ⁷ | CH (+ LI) |
| – Norway | NO |
| – The Faroe Islands | FO |
| – The participants in the Barcelona Process: | |
| – Algeria | DZ |
| – Egypt | EG |
| – Israel | IL |

⁶ OJ L 2024/390/19.2.2024

⁷ Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein form a customs union.

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| – Jordan | JO |
| – Lebanon | LB |
| – Morocco | MA |
| – Palestine* | PS |
| – Syria | SY |
| – Tunisia | TN |
| – Türkiye | TR |
| – The participants in the EU’s Stabilisation and Association Process: | |
| – Albania | AL |
| – Bosnia and Herzegovina | BA |
| – North Macedonia | MK |
| – Montenegro | ME |
| – Serbia | RS |
| – Kosovo* | KO |
| – The Republic of Moldova | MD |
| – Georgia | GE |
| – Ukraine | UA |

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* This designation shall not be construed as recognition of a State of Palestine and is without prejudice to the individual positions of the Member States on this issue

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

Table 1: Simplified overview of diagonal cumulation possibilities in the pan-Euro-Med zone

| | EU | EFTA states | | | FO | Participants in the Barcelona Process | | | | | | | | | | TR | Participants in the EU's Stabilisation and Association Process | | | | | | | MD | GE | UA |
|----------|------|-------------|----|----|----|---------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|------|------|--|------|------|------|----|------|----|----|----|----|
| | | CH (+LI) | IS | NO | | DZ | EG | IL | JO | LB | MA | PS | SY | TN | AL | | BA | KO | ME | MK | RS | | | | | |
| EU | | CR | CR | CR | CR | C | C | C | CR | | C | C | | CR/T | C(1) | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | R | |
| CH (+LI) | CR | | CR | CR | C | | C | C | C | C | C | C | | C | CR | CR | CR | | CR | CR | CR | | CR | C | | |
| IS | CR | CR | | CR | C | | C | C | C | C | C | C | | C | CR | CR | CR | | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | C | | |
| NO | CR | CR | CR | | C | | C | C | C | C | C | C | | C | CR | CR | CR | | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | C | | |
| FO | CR | C | C | C | | | | | | | | | | | CR | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DZ | C | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EG | C | C | C | C | | | | | C | | C | | | C | C | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IL | C | C | C | C | | | | | C | | | | | C | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| JO | CR | C | C | C | | | C | C | | | C | | | C | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| LB | | C | C | C | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MA | C | C | C | C | | | C | | C | | | | | C | C | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PS | C | C | C | C | | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TN | CT/R | C | C | C | | | C | | C | | C | | | | C | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TR | C(1) | CR | CR | CR | CR | | C | C | | | C | C | C | | C(*) | C(*) | (*) | C(*) | C(*) | C(*) | C | C(2) | | | | |
| AL | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | | | | | | | | C(*) | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | |
| BA | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | | | | | | | | C(*) | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | |
| KO | CR | | | | | | | | | | | | | | (*) | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | |
| ME | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | | | | | | | | C(*) | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | |
| MK | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | | | | | | | | C(*) | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | R | | |

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| RS | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | | | | | | | | C(*) | CR | CR | CR | CR | CR | | CR | | |
| MD | CR | | CR | CR | | | | | | | | | | | C | CR | CR | CR | R | CR | CR | | | R |
| GE | CR | CR | CR | CR | | | | | | | | | | | C(2) | | | | | | | | | C |
| UA | R | C | C | C | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | R | | R | C | | |

(*) Diagonal cumulation between Türkiye, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, North Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia is possible. However, please see Table 3 for the possibility of diagonal cumulation between the European Union, Türkiye, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, North Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia.

(1) For goods covered by the EU- Türkiye customs union, the date of application is 27 July 2006.

For agricultural products, the date of application is 1 January 2007(cumulation is not applicable with MD and GE).

For coal and steel products, the date of application is 1 March 2009(cumulation is not applicable with MD and GE)

(2) For the products:

- under Chapters 1 to 24 of the Harmonised Commodity Description and Coding System; and

- covered by the Annex 1 to the FTA between the Republic of Türkiye and Georgia cumulation of origin can be applied only when originating in the Republic of Türkiye and Georgia

Table 2: Date of application of rules of origin providing for diagonal cumulation in the pan-Euro-Med zone

| | | EFTA states | | | | Participants in the Barcelona Process | | | | | | | | | | | Participants in the EU's Stabilisation and Association Process | | | | | | | | |
|----------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------|---|----------|-----------|--------------|----|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--|------------------------------|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| | EU | CH(+LI) | IS | NO | FO | DZ | EG | IL | JO | LB | MA | PS | SY | TN | TR | AL | BA | KO | ME | MK | RS | MD | GE | UA | |
| EU | | (C)1.2.2016 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 12.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | 1.11.2007 | (C) 1.2.2016 | 1.1.2006 | (C) 01.09.2021 (R) 16.1.2025 (C) 02.03.2025 | | 1.12.2005 | (C) 1.3.2016 | | 1.8.2006 (C) 22.01.2025 (R/T) 1.3.2025 | (1) | (C) 1.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 9.12.2016 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.4.2016 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.2.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 (C) 30.1.2025 | (C) 1.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.2.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.12.2016 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.6.2018 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.1.2019 (R) 1.1.2025 | |
| CH (+LI) | (C) 1.2.2016 (R) 1.1.2025 | | (C) 1.7.2013 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.7.2013 (R) 1.1.2025 | 1.1.2006 | | 1.8.2007 | 1.7.2005 | 17.7.2007 | 1.1.2007 | 1.3.2005 | 1.5.2016 | | 1.6.2005 | (C) 1.12.2019 (R) 1.01.2025 | (C) 1.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.1.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | | (C) 1.9.2012 (R) 1.1.2025 (C) 30.1.2025 | (C) 1.4.2022 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | | (C) 1.5.2018 (R) 1.1.2025 | 1.6.2012 | |
| IS | (C) 1.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.7.2013 (R) 1.1.2025 | | (C) 1.7.2013 (R) 1.1.2025 | 1.11.2005 | | 1.8.2007 | 1.7.2005 | 17.7.2007 | 1.1.2007 | 1.3.2005 | 1.5.2016 | | 1.3.2006 | (C) 1.12.2019 (R) 1.01.2025 | (C) 1.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.1.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | | (C) 1.4.2022 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.5.2015 (R) 1.1.2025 | (C) 1.09.2024 (R) 1.01.2025 | (C) 1.9.2017 (R) 1.1.2025 | 1.6.2012 | | |
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