# Instruction CTI/8/7/1/4

# New Zealand Customs Service (NZCS) Non-Confidential Instructions

# **Certain Bound Stationery from Malaysia**

Date: 13 September 2007

Information in these instructions relating to anti-dumping duties which is considered to be confidential in terms of Sections 9(2)(b)(ii) and 9(2)(a)(i) of the Official Information Act has been marked xxxx.

### Introduction

1. The Minister of Commerce imposed anti-dumping duties on imports of certain bound stationery (CBS) from Malaysia on **12 September 2007**. The duty is payable from **13 September 2007**.

#### Description

2. The goods subject to anti-dumping duty are:

Exercise books, note books, project books, sketch pads and pads of a type intended for the purpose of writing/printing/drawing, suited primarily for primary, post-primary schools and commercial sectors, having the following specifications:

HEIGHT: Not less than 75millimetres (mm) and not more than 450mm

WIDTH: Not less than 75mm and not more than 450mm

LEAF: Not less than 20 and not more than 300

PAGES: Not less than 40 and not more than 600

- Includes perforated or hole punched pages
- Can be printed/unprinted
- All colours

PAPER WEIGHT: Not less than 45 grams per square metre (gsm) and not more than 150gsm

LINES: Ruled or un-ruled; print any colour

COVER: Can be hard or soft covered

Pads, sketch and other types, may/may not be covered

Can be printed/unprinted

BINDING: Stapled, sewn, glued or wire bound

- The goods are currently classified under Tariff Items and Statistical Keys 4820.10.00.11H, 4820.10.00.21E, 4820.10.00.29L, 4820.20.00.00F, 4820.90.01.00H, 4820.90.09.01G and 4820.90.09.29G of the Tariff of New Zealand, which classification is provided for convenience and Customs purposes only, the written description being dispositive.
- 4. It should be noted that the sizes of almost all the scholastic and commercial CBS fall within the goods description in paragraph 2 (above). Below are some common paper size references although this list is not definitive. The standard sizes in the table commonly referred to as A1, A2 and A7 fall outside the size parameters of the goods subject to the duty.

Standard Size	Millimetres
A1 (excluded from goods description)	841 x 594
A2 (excluded from goods description)	594 x 420
A3	420 x 297
A3.5	320 x 304
F/Cap	330 x 205
A4	297 x 210
A5	210 x 148
A6	148 x 105
A7 (excluded from goods description)	105 x 74
5 x 3 (inches)	127 x 76
6 x 4 (inches)	152 x 102
8 x 5 (inches)	203 x 127

5. Common paper sizes referred to are:

Note: Conversions - inches to centimetres x 2.5400; centimetres to inches x 0.3937.

- 6. The CBS products are grouped, based on the binding method, into four categories attracting different rates of duty. The four categories established are: pads (which are glued), hard covered, limp/soft covered, and wire bound.
- 7. The types of goods which these four categories cover (the descriptions are not exhaustive) are:

#### Range of CBS from Malaysia

CBS Categories (examples)	
Pads	Pads, Topless Pads, Drawing Blocks, Sketch Pads*, Refills, Activity Books.

Limp/Soft Covered	Exercise Books, Drawing Books, Scrap Books, Note Books, Music Books, Book Keeping Books, Project Books**.
Hard Covered	Exercise Books, Note Books, Project books**.
Wire Bound	Exercise Books, Note Books, Sketch Pads*, Visual Diaries***, Project books**.

\*Like drawing pads with blank pages, either secured by glue along one edge or spiral bound.

\*\*Similar to a note book, may have ruled and/or blank pages.

\*\*\*Has no dates and likely to contain blank drawing paper.

#### Pads

8. Pads may or may not have a printed cover or backing board. They are only secured by glue on the long or the short edge and may or may not have holes drilled in the margins.

#### Limp/Soft Covered

9. This type of stationery has a cover usually made of card which is in one piece, folded usually in half to cover the interior paper front and back, and held to the paper usually by staples. The cover is flexible rather than hard and may have holes punched on the side.

#### Hard Covered

10. This type of stationery has covers front and back with a spine bound like a book. The cover may be printed and glued or laminated. The pages may be sewn or stapled or glued or a combination of these. The hard cover is made of board and is relatively inflexible.

#### Wire Bound

11. This type of stationery is distinguished by its wire binding. It may have hard or soft covers, be a book style (without the spine) or be a pad. It has wire bound through a succession of holes: for example they could be spiral bound (with a continuous wire through the holes) or `wire-o' bound (the wire being twin looped through the holes).

#### **Country of Origin**

12. The country of origin of the subject goods is Malaysia.

# **Anti-Dumping Duties**

#### Description/Method

13. The duty on imports of the subject goods is in the form of *ad valorem* percentage rates applied to the NZCS value for duty (VFD) of the imports for the goods manufactured/supplied by the companies shown in the table below.

Exporter	Categories			
	Pads	Hard	Limp/Soft	Wire
Chee Wah Corporation Sendirian Berhad	8%	43%	No Duty	73%
NM Paper Converting Sendirian Berhad	18%	3%	No Duty	5%
Tan Eng Hong Paper and Stationery Sendirian Berhad	18%	3%	No Duty	5%
Residual Rate for Other Exporters	18%	3%	No Duty	5%
Ruho Corporation Sendirian Berhad	Exempt from all duties			

14. To apply the correct rate of duty it will be necessary to identify the exporter of the goods subject to the duty. xxxxxx does not always export directly to New Zealand. To assist in identifying transactions relating to xxxxxx, the following is a list of exporters known to be associated with xxxxxxx.

### Example

- 15. Assume that the export invoice relates to a quantity of CBS (which falls within the "Hard Cover" category supplied by Chee Wah, which originates from Malaysia, at a total FOB price of USD10,000. The exchange rate that applies on the date of import is 0.7 therefore the value for duty (VFD) is NZ\$14,286.71.
- 16. To calculate the anti-dumping duty payable on this shipment, apply the rate of 43 percent to NZ\$14,286.71, which equals duty to be paid of NZ\$6,143.29.
- 17. Customs tariffs shall be calculated and applied as usual.

## **FAQ Page**

18. The <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> page may provide additional guidance regarding the applicability of the duties.

### **Further Information**

19. Should you have any queries regarding the operation of the anti-dumping duties described in these instructions please contact the Trade Rules and Remedies Group as shown below:

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