

C PRE-SHIPMENT INSPECTION AND OTHER FORMALITIES

C1 Pre-shipment inspection

Compulsory quality, quantity and price control of goods prior to shipment from the exporting country, conducted by an independent inspecting agency mandated by the authorities of the importing country.

Example: A pre-shipment inspection of textile imports by a third party for verification of colours and types of materials is required.

C2 Direct consignment requirement

Requirement that goods must be shipped directly from the country of origin, without stopping at a third country

Example: Goods imported under a preferential scheme such as GSP must be shipped directly from the country of origin in order to satisfy the scheme's rules of origin condition. (i.e. to guarantee that the products have not been manipulated, substituted or further processed in any third country of transit)

C3 Requirement to pass through specified port of customs

Obligation for imports to pass through a designated entry point and/or customs office for inspection, testing, etc:

Example: DVD players need to be cleared at a designated customs office for inspection.

C4 Import monitoring and surveillance requirements and other automatic licensing measures

Administrative measures which seek to monitor the import value or volume of specified products.

Example: Automatic import licence is required as an administrative procedure for textile and apparel prior to importation.

C9 Other formalities, n.e.s.