

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

INTERMEDIATE MATERIALS

Overview

Any self-produced material that is used in the production of a good may be designated by the producer of the good as an intermediate material for purposes of calculating the regional value content of the good. There was no provisional change from the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

References

- USMCA
 - o Final Text: Chapter 4, Article 4.8
 - o HR 5430 Citation. Title II, Section 202(a)(6) and 202(d)(9)

NAFTA

 Final Text: Chapter 4, Rules of Origin, Article 402(10)

Significant Changes in USMCA

Provision	USMCA	NAFTA
No Change	No change from NAFTA to USMCA.	
No Accumulation	If a self-produced material is designated as an intermediate material for purposes of calculating regional value content, no other self-produced material subject to a regional value content used or consumed in the production of that intermediate material may be designated as an intermediate material.	

Detailed USMCA/NAFTA Side-by-Side

Provision	USMCA	NAFTA
Intermediate Materials	• Each Party shall provide that any self-produced material, other than a component identified in Table G of the Appendix to Annex 4-B (Product-Specific Rules of Origin), that is used in the production of a good may be designated by the producer of the good as an intermediate material for the purpose of calculating the regional value content of the good under paragraph 2 or 3 of Article 4.5 (Regional Value Content), provided that if the intermediate material is subject to a regional value content requirement, no other self-produced material subject to a regional value content requirement used in the production of that intermediate material may itself be designated by the producer as an intermediate material.	Except as provided in Article 403(1), any self-produced material, other than a component identified in Annex 403.2, that is used in the production of a good may be designated by the producer of the good as an intermediate material for the purpose of calculating the regional value content of the good under paragraph 2 or 3, provided that where the intermediate material is subject to a regional value-content requirement used in the production of that intermediate material may itself be designated by the producer as an intermediate material.

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