



## **Customs and Excise (Rules of Origin for RCEP Goods— Harmonised System) Amendment Regulations 2022**

Cindy Kiro, Governor-General

### **Order in Council**

At Wellington this 31st day of October 2022

Present:

Her Excellency the Governor-General in Council

These regulations are made under sections 403, 407, and 412 of the Customs and Excise Act 2018—

- (a) on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council; and
- (b) to the extent that these regulations, in accordance with section 407(1)(b) of the Customs and Excise Act 2018, prescribe goods or any type or class of goods that are treated as being the produce or manufacture of any country or group of countries for the purposes of the Tariff Act 1988, on the recommendation of the Minister of Customs made after consultation with the Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

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## Regulations

### 1 Title

These regulations are the Customs and Excise (Rules of Origin for RCEP Goods—Harmonised System) Amendment Regulations 2022.

### 2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 1 January 2023.

### 3 Principal regulations

These regulations amend the Customs and Excise Regulations 1996.

### 4 Regulation 51ZZJ amended (Originating goods)

Replace regulation 51ZZJ(b) with:

- (b) the document entitled *Product Specific Rules for Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership—Annex 3A (Product Specific Rules) 2022*, as certified on 4 October 2022 by the chief executive under clause 4 of Schedule 2 of the Legislation Act 2019 and published by the chief executive on the Customs' Internet site (to align with the Harmonised System as in force in respect of New Zealand as at 1 January 2022); and

Rachel Hayward,  
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

## Explanatory note

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations, which come into force on 1 January 2023, amend the Customs and Excise Regulations 1996, which are in force under the Customs and Excise Act 2018.

These regulations update product-specific rules of origin relating to parties to the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (the **RCEP**). The relevant product-specific rules of origin need updating to reflect the technical changes to the product-specific rules as agreed between New Zealand and its trading partners, taking account of the 1 January 2022 updates to the International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System.

These regulations incorporate by reference, under section 412 of the Customs and Excise Act 2018, updated rules set out in a document that is published by the chief executive of the New Zealand Customs Service on the Customs' website. Access to the provisions incorporated by reference is also facilitated by the chief executive of the New Zealand Customs Service in the other ways required by Schedule 2 of the Legislation Act 2019.

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