

# **EU EXPORT HELPDESK**

### YOUR GATEWAY TO EUROPE'S MARKET

Want to export your product to the European Union and get access to a market of 500 million consumers in 28 countries?\*

Then visit our Export Helpdesk online.

# http://exporthelp.europa.eu

It's specially designed for businesses like yours, based outside the EU or importing into the EU.

You'll find all you need to know about exporting to the EU, including:

- ✓ health, safety and technical standards you'll need to meet
- ✓ customs duties you'll need to pay at the border
- ✓ internal taxes in each of the 28 countries
- ✓ the rules of origin that define where a product is from and
  whether it profits from preferential duty rates
- ✓ forms to send with your shipments



\* Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom.

Are you exporting to one of these countries? They are all part of the European Union's internal market.





## **EXPORTING TO EUROPE IN 6 EASY STEPS**



1

Check the **customs code** for your product

Open the **search box**.

Browse the classification tree or type a keyword.

Define your **product**, the **exporting country** and the **importing country**.



2

The results for your product are right there:

### Check 'Requirements':

- the health, safety or technical **standards** your product needs to meet

#### Check the 'Internal taxes':

- the VAT or excise duties for your product in the importing country.



3

Check 'Customs duties':

- the **standard rate** of EU import duty for your product
- a possibly **reduced rate** if the exporting country has a trade agreement with the EU or benefits from a preferential scheme
- any **quota** or **antidumping** duties



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Check the 'Rules of origin' for your product:

- they indicate the **minimum processing** your product must undergo in your contry to be considered as 'originating' there
- the origin depends also on where the **inputs** you use for your final product are from
- the customs offices at EU borders will verify your origin **certificate**



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Check the 'Statistics':

- find out how much **other countries** are **already exporting** to the EU of your kind of product



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Click on 'Resources' to find:

- more on product codes
- chambers of commerce and customs offices in each EU country or
- additional information for your country