

Awareness Programme on Registered Exporter System (REX)

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Presentation Outline

- What is REX
- Main Functionalities of REX(Registration, Modification, Revocation and Publication)
- Statement on Origin (S00)
- Obligation of exporters or economic operator
- Obligation of the REX competent authority -DOC



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What is REX



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What is REX: Registered Exporter System

- A system of **self-certification** of origin by exporters with a declaration known as a **Statements on Origin (SOO)** (replacing certificate of origin or GSP Form A -COO)
- Under the REX System for an exporter to make self declarations / SOOs, **DOC**/Competent Authority should **approve** and **register** the **exporter** in the **EU database**



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REX applying/recognizing countries

- EU
- Switzerland
- Norway
- Turkey(It will also apply to Turkey's GSP scheme, once that country meets certain conditions)



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Why is it important to register with REX System

- **All EU GSP beneficiary countries** have to implement **REX** system
- **Sri Lanka** as a EU GSP beneficiary country has to register its exporters under REX
- The transition time given to Sri Lanka is **1st January – 31 December 2018**.
- In future **only the registered exporters** will get the tariff benefit
- **No change to Rules** determining the Origin of the product.



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REX Registration

REX Registration

- Registration of an exporter is a **one-time operation**
- Registration is **free of charge**
- Approved exporters get a **REX number** to **use** on the **S00**
- Registration is effective from the date REX number is issued by the Department of Commerce.

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REX Registration

- Before issuing a REX number competent authority (Department of Commerce) will verify that:
 - the application submitted by the exporter is **complete**
 - the **data** provided in the application form is **correct** (company exists, the address is correct,...)
 - applicants are **established** and **functional manufacturers or traders** (not just customs or tax representatives)
 - The applicant is **not subject to bankruptcy** proceedings



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Documents to be submitted to DOC for registration

- **Rex Application Form**

- **Option 1 : recommended option**

1. Copy of the signed & officially stamped **Pre -**

Application: <https://conformance.customs.ec.europa.eu/rex-pa-ui/#/create-preapplication/>

Complete the pre-application via web link

Print a copy of the pre-application & then sign & stamp the application

Or

- **Option 2**

2. Complete the pdf REX application form (REX form 1) in the DOC website

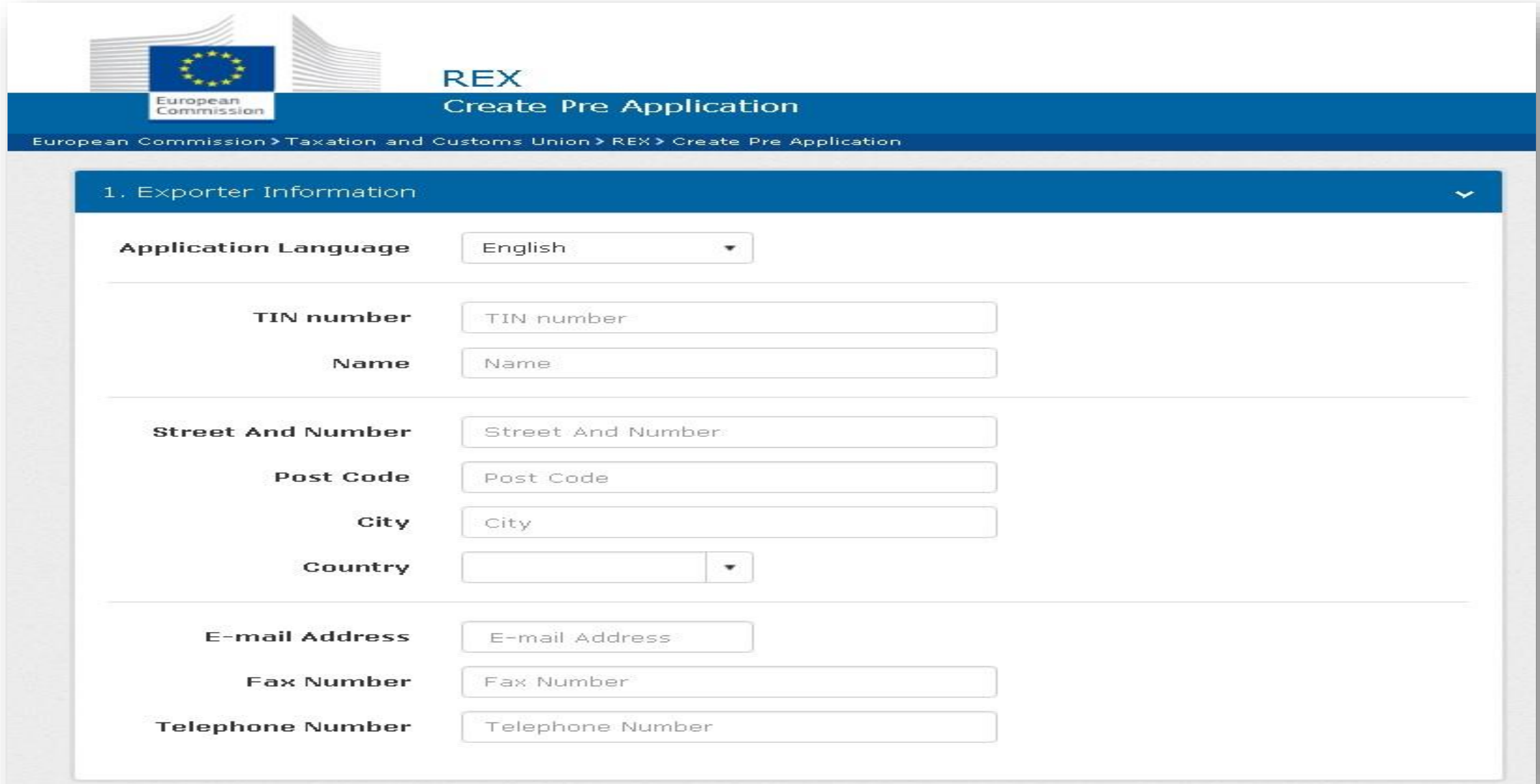


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Option 1 : Pre -Application

<https://conformance.customs.ec.europa.eu/rex-pa-ui/#/create-preapplication/>



The screenshot shows the 'Create Pre Application' interface. At the top, there is a header with the European Commission logo and the text 'REX Create Pre Application'. Below this is a breadcrumb trail: 'European Commission > Taxation and Customs Union > REX > Create Pre Application'. The main section is titled '1. Exporter Information' and contains several input fields for user details.

1. Exporter Information	
Application Language	English
TIN number	TIN number
Name	Name
Street And Number	Street And Number
Post Code	Post Code
City	City
Country	
E-mail Address	E-mail Address
Fax Number	Fax Number
Telephone Number	Telephone Number

Pre -Application *cont...*

Fax Number

Telephone Number

2. Exporter Contact Persons Information



Name	Street And Number	Post Code	City	Country	E-mail address	Fax	Phone	Edit	Delete
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No data available in table

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3. Exporter Activities



Production

☐

Trading

☐

Pre –Application *cont....*

4. Description Of Goods

Harmonized System Code	Description	Delete
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No data available in table

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5. Undertakings to be given by an Exporter

**Place of signature of
Authorised Signatory**

Place of signature of Authorised Signatory

**Authorised Signatory
Name**

Authorised Signatory Name

**Authorised Signatory
Job Title**

Authorised Signatory Job Title

Pre -Application *cont....*

6. Prior specific and informed consent of exporter to the publication of his data on the public website ▼

Indication of consent of exporter to the publication of his/her data on the public website ☐

Place of signature of
the Authorised
Signatory

Place of signature of the Authorised Signatory

Authorised Signatory
Name

Authorised Signatory Name

Authorised Signatory
Job Title

Authorised Signatory Job Title



Text in image:

Proceed

Pre -Application *cont...*

Save Pre-Application

Save Pre Application: Validate the previously entered information, type in the "Text in image" and click the proceed button:

Security Captcha

Proceed button

1

2

6fwxx

Text in image:

6fwxx

Proceed

v.0.1

1 Security Captcha



Text in image:

6fwxx

Fill in the text as shown in the image (a different text will be shown by the system for every attempt to create a REX pre application).

2 Proceed button

Click on the Proceed button. The system will validate the pre application information.

For which the generated tag (for reference in REX Application) is

b1d14b8f-9896-4364-9bf2-c051d5ae35aa

Creation of a Pre-application reference tag

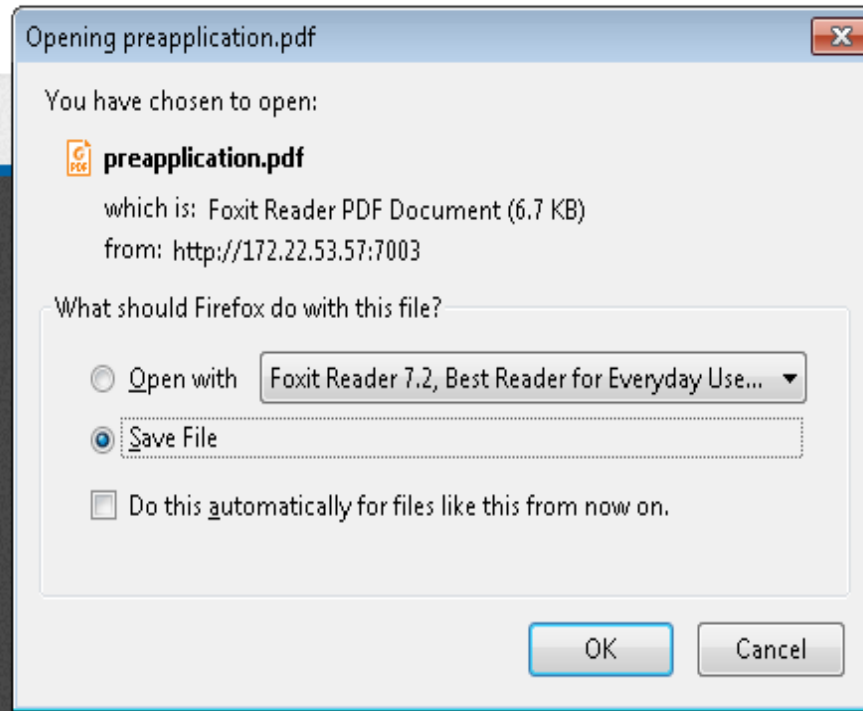


Pre –Application *cont...*

Print Pre-Application

The Pre Application has been successfully created, please print a copy of the AREX form using the "Print" button below and send it to your local Custom Authority.

Print



Pre –Application *cont...*

APPLICATION TO BECOME A REGISTERED EXPORTER for the purpose of schemes of generalised tariff preferences of the European Union, Norway, Switzerland and Turkey(1)

<p>1. Exporter's name, full address and country, EORI or TIN(2). Indian Synthetic Fibres Inc., 274 Calcutta Avenue, 94235, Kolkata, IN IN9876543</p>
<p>2. Contact details including telephone and fax number as well as e-mail address where available. Mr Joe Banji, 91 321 56 79, 91 123 56 47, 45 Industry Park, 94235, Kolkata, IN, banjiJ@hotmail.com Mrs Uma Nagaran, 91 321 57 89, 91 123 56 23, 897 Parkway West, 94235, Kolkata, IN, nagaranU@hotmail.com</p>
<p>3. Specify whether the main activity is producing or trading. Producing</p>
<p>4. Indicative description of goods which qualify for preferential treatment, including indicative list of Harmonised System headings (or chapters where goods traded fall within more than twenty Harmonised System headings).</p> <p>5503 Synthetic staple fibres, not carded, combed or otherwise processed for spinning</p> <p>5504 Artificial staple fibres, not carded, combed or otherwise processed for spinning</p>
<p>5. Undertakings to be given by an exporter</p> <p>The undersigned hereby:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- declares that the above details are correct;- certifies that no previous registration has been revoked; conversely, certifies that the situation which led to any such revocation has been remedied;- undertakes to make out statements on origin only for goods which qualify for preferential treatment and comply with the origin rules specified for those goods in the Generalised System of Preferences;- undertakes to maintain appropriate commercial accounting records for production / supply of goods qualifying for preferential treatment and to keep them for at least three years from the end of the calendar year in which the statement on origin was made out;- undertakes to immediately notify the competent authority of changes as they arise to his registration data since acquiring the number of registered exporter;- undertakes to cooperate with the competent authority;- undertakes to accept any checks on the accuracy of his statements on origin, including verification of accounting records and visits to his premises by the European Commission or Member States' authorities, as well as the authorities of Norway, Switzerland and Turkey (applicable only to exporters in beneficiary countries);- undertakes to request his removal from the system, should he no longer meet the conditions for exporting any goods under the scheme;- undertakes to request his removal from the system, should he no longer intend to export such goods

Option 2: REX FORM 1

REX-1 Form

REX-1 Form

REX-1 Form

APPLICATION TO BECOME A REGISTERED EXPORTER

for the purpose of schemes of generalised tariff preferences of the European Union,
Norway, Switzerland and Turkey (1)

1. Name: Address: TIN: D/COM/R:
2. Telephone: Fax: E-mail:
3. Specify whether the main activity is producing or trading
4. Indicative description of goods which qualify for preferential treatment, including indicative list of Harmonised system headings (or chapters where goods traded fall within more than 20 Harmonised System headings). (Please use Form REX/02)
5. Undertakings to be given by an exporter The undersigned hereby: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Declares that the above details are correct Certifies that no previous registration has been revoked, conversely certifies that the situation which led to any such revocation has been remedied Undertakes to make out statements on origin only for goods which qualify for preferential treatment and comply with the origin rules specified for those goods in the Generalised System of Preferences Undertakes to maintain appropriate commercial accounting records for production/supply of goods qualifying for preferential treatment and to keep them for at least three years from the end of the calendar year in which the statement of origin was made out Undertakes to immediately notify the competent authority of charges as they arise to this registration data since acquiring the number of registered exporter Undertakes to cooperate with the competent authority Undertakes to accept any checks on the accuracy of his statements on origin, including verification of accounting records and visits to his premises by the European Commission or Member States' authorities. As well as the authorities of Norway, Switzerland and Turkey (applicable only to exporters in beneficiary countries)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertakes to request his removal from the system should he no longer meet the conditions for exporting any goods under the scheme Undertakes to request his removal from the system he no longer intend to export such goods under the scheme
Place: Date: Signature of authorized signatory: Name: Job Title:
Place, date, signature of authorized signatory, name and job title
6. Prior specific and consent of exporter to publication of his data on the public website (optional) The undersigned is hereby informed that the information supplied in this declaration may be disclosed to the public via the public website. The undersigned accepts the publication of this information via the public website. The undersigned may withdraw his consent to the publication of this information via the public website by sending a request to the competent authorities responsible for the registration. Place: Date: Signature of authorized signatory: Name: Job Title:
Place, date, signature of authorized signatory, name and job title
7. Box for official use by competent authority The applicant is registered under the following number: Registration Number: Date of registration:

<p align="center">Information Notice</p> <p>Concerning the protection and processing of personal data incorporated in the system</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Where the European Commission processes personal data contained in this application to become a registered exporter, Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the council on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data contained in this application to become a registered exporter, the relevant national provisions of aforementioned Directive will apply. Personal data in respect of the application to become a registered exporter are processed for the purpose of EU GSP rules of origin as defined in the relevant EU legislation. The said legislation providing for EU GSP rules of origin constitutes the legal basis for processing personal data in respect of the application to become a registered exporter. The competent authority in a country where the application has been submitted is the controller with respect to processing of the data in the REX system. The list of competent authorities/customs departments is published on the website of the Commission. Access to all data of this application is granted a user ID/password to users in the Commission. The competent authorities of beneficiary countries and the customs authorities in the Member States, Norway, Switzerland and Turkey. The data of revoked registration shall be kept by the competent authorities of beneficiary country and customs authorities of Member States in the REX system for 10 calendar years. This period shall run from the end of the year in which the revocation of a registration has taken place. The data subject has a right of access to the data relating to him that will be processed through the REX system and, where appropriate, the right to rectify erase or block data in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 or the national laws implementing Directive 95/46/EC. Any requests for right of access, rectification, erasure or blocking shall be submitted to and processed by the registration, as appropriate. Where the registered exporter has submitted a request for the exercise of that right to the Commission, the Commission shall forward such requests to the Commission; the Commission shall forward such requests to the competent authorities of the beneficiary country or the customs authorities of Member States concerned, respectively. If the registered exporter failed to obtain his rights from the controller of data, the registered exporter shall submit such request to the Commission acting as controller. The Commission shall have the right to rectify, erase or block the data. Complaints can be addressed to the relevant national data protection authority. The contact details of the national data protection authorities are available on the web-site of the European Commission, Directorate-General for Justice: http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/bodies/authorities/ew/index_en.html#h-2-1. <p>Where the complaint concerns processing of data by the European Commission, it should be addressed to the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS): http://www.ddps.europa.eu/EDPSWEB/.</p>
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(1) The present application form is common to the GSP schemes of four entities: the Union (EU), Norway, Switzerland and Turkey ('the entities'). Please note, however, that the respective GSP schemes of these entities may differ in terms of country and product coverage. Consequently, a given registration will only be effective for the purpose of exports under the GSP scheme(s)

REX Registration

Documents for registration

- **Original TIN Certificate and a copy**
- **Supporting documents**
 - updated cost statements/Affidavit/Material Sheet (depends on the product)
 - Original Cusdecs and original commercial invoices for local & imported raw materials together with a set of photocopies
 - Production flow chart etc
 - Other relevant documents (EUR1, GSP Form A for exports under cumulation) etc. with a set of photocopies



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REX Registration

REX Registration Number will be issued by DOC

- ✓ Submission of REX application and supporting documentation by exporters
- ✓ Inspection/Factory visits by DOC if needed

✓ REX Number



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REX Registration

REX Registration :Duration

- **How long it takes to register?**

verification process of the DOC as the competent authority depends on the submission of documents, product, factory visits etc.

- **When is the last date for registration?:** For existing exporters - 31 December 2018 but do not wait for the last moment.



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Statement on Origin (S00)



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What is SOO: Statement on Origin

- SOOs are **Statements on Origin**
- Rex system replaces GSP Form A with **SOO**
- SOO is a declaration on commercial documentation
- No need of DOC certification
- No payment involved for SOOs

Statement on Origin (S00)

- On any commercial document
 - Commercial invoice
 - delivery note
 - packing list
- S00 declaration can be any of the 4 given samples
- Do not change the text other than for the 3 spaces indicated for REX no, Country of Origin and HS Code
- The Statement on Origin should indicate if bi-lateral cumulation (with the EU, Norway, Switzerland or Turkey) or regional cumulation apply



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How to Prepare a S00

Insert the Assigned REX
number by the DoC

The exporter (1) REX Number of the products covered by this document declares that, except where otherwise clearly indicated, these products are of (2) Country of Origin preferential origin according to rules of origin of the Generalised System of Preferences of the EU and that the origin criterion met is (3) 'W' 6212

Relevant HS Code of the
Product/s

Sri Lanka



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No need of FORM A *but* SOO (4 samples)

1. Goods consigned from (exporter's business name, address, country)		Reference No.	
2. Goods consigned to (consignee's name, address, country)		GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (Combined declaration and certificate) FORM A	
3. Means of transport and route (as far as known)		4. For official use	
5. Item number	6. Marks and numbers of packages	7. Number and kind of packages	8. Origin criterion (see notes overleaf)
9. Gross weight or other quantity		10. Number and date of invoices	
11. Certification It is hereby certified, on the basis of control carried out, that the declaration by the exporter is correct.		12. Declaration by the exporter The undersigned hereby declares that the above details and statements are correct; that all the goods were produced in _____ (country) and that they comply with the origin requirements specified for those goods in the generalized system of preferences for goods exported to _____ (reporting country).	
Place and date, signature and stamp of certifying authority		Place and date, signature of authorized signatory	

1. For Wholly obtained products The exporter (1) REX Number of the products covered by this document declares that, except where otherwise clearly indicated, these products are of (2) Country of Origin preferential origin according to rules of origin of the Generalised System of Preferences of the EU and that the origin criterion met is (3) **'P'**

2. For sufficiently worked or processed products The exporter (1) REX Number of the products covered by this document declares that, except where otherwise clearly indicated, these products are of (2) Country of Origin preferential origin according to rules of origin of the Generalised System of Preferences of the EU and that the origin criterion met is (3) **'W'** relevant HS Code at 4 digit Level (eg: W6212)

3. For sufficiently worked or processed products under SAARC regional cumulation The exporter (1) REX Number of the products covered by this document declares that, except where otherwise clearly indicated, these products are of (2) Country of Origin preferential origin according to rules of origin of the Generalised System of Preferences of the EU and that the origin criterion met is (3) **'W'** and relevant HS Code followed by the term **'Regional Cumulation'** (eg: w6204 Regional Cumulation)

4. For sufficiently worked or processed products under Turkey Cumulation The exporter (1) REX Number of the products covered by this document declares that, except where otherwise clearly indicated, these products are of (2) Country of Origin preferential origin according to rules of origin of the Generalised System of Preferences of the EU and that the origin criterion met is (3) **'W'** and relevant HS Code at 4 digit Level followed by the term **'Turkey Cumulation'**

Sample Commercial Invoice

COMMERCIAL INVOICE

Invoice No:

Date:

<u>Invoice Address :</u>	<u>Delivery terms</u>
<u>Ship to:</u>	<u>Delivered under:</u> <u>Payment terms</u>

No ite m	Description	Country of origin	Net weight/kg	HS Code	Qty(pieces)	Unit price, USD	Total price, USD
1.							
2.							
3.							
Total, USD							

Gross Weight, kg (total) :	
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Signed by:	
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Speciman of Statement on Origin

(i) For Wholly obtained products

The exporter (1) REF Number of the products covered by this document declares that, except where otherwise clearly indicated, these products are of (2) Country of Origin preferential origin according to rules of origin of the Generalised System of Preferences of the EU and that the origin crieterion met is (3) "P"

**Modification: Editing registered
exporter's data**

Modification of Data

- A registered exporter has the obligation to communicate all changes related to the data registered in the REX system
- The following data may be modified:
 - Exporter's Information: Name, Address, Email Address, Fax and Phone Number
 - Exporter's Contact Person Details
 - Exporter's Activities
 - Description of Goods
 - Consent for publication



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Revocation

Revocation of a Registered Exporter

- Competent authorities shall revoke a registered exporter when
 1. Exporter no longer exists
 2. Exporter no longer meets the conditions for exporting goods under the GSP scheme
 3. At the request of the exporter :exporter informs that he will not export goods under the EU GSP scheme
 4. Products do not comply with the ROO
 5. Exporter commit fraud



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Publication : Details of the registered exporters

Publication and Consultation of Data

- Any public user may have access to the published registered exporter's data
- Buyers/officials/interested parties will be able to verify the validity of the registrations of the registered exporters who provide statements on origin
- The data of the REX System is published at:
http://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/dds2/eos/rex_home.jsp?Lang=en



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Example

European Commission > Taxation and Customs Union > Databases > REX > REX number validation Mail Box | Search

[Help](#) [What's new?](#) [Information](#) [FAQ](#)

REX number validation

Retrieve REX number validation

You can launch a validation request by entering the REX or EORI/TIN number and clicking the corresponding "Validate" button.

Search on REX number

Search on

1 result(s) match(es) your search

REX number	EORI number	TIN number	Status
FRREX123456789		FRTIN123456789	The REX number is valid

Request date 2016-10-03 08:00
Status The REX number is valid
REX Number FRREX123456789
EORI Number
TIN Number FRTIN123456789
Address
Name Holder Name 123456789
Street and Number Holder Street and Number
Postal Code 1000
City Holder City
Country Name Belgium
Valid from 2016-01-01
Revocation date 2016-12-01
Applicable for the EU GSP No
Applicable for the CH GSP No
Applicable for the NO GSP No

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Obligation of exporters



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Obligation of Exporters

- Exporter shall submit shipping details every 2 weeks (See example)
- Exporters shall inform DOC/Competent Authority of any changes
 - Contact details
 - Product
 - Process



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Example: Shipping details

Details of Shipments exported under the REX System

Name of the Company :

REX Registration No :

Serial No	Date	Invoice Number	Item	Hs No	Quantity	Value in US \$	Cusdec No	Importing Country	Name of the Importer
1									
2									
3									
4									
6									
7									
8									

Name and Designation of Authorized Officer

Signature :

Date :

Obligation of Exporters

- Exporters shall keep available:
 - all evidence relating to the materials used in the manufacture,
 - all customs documentation relating to the materials used in the manufacture
 - records of:
 - (i) the statement on origin they made out
 - (ii) their originating and non-originating materials, production and stock accounts for at least **3 years from the end of the calendar year** in which the statement on origin was made out



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Obligation of DOC/Competent Authority



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Obligation of DOC/Competent Authority

- Role of the DOC will change from a issuing agency to a monitoring agency.
- Responsible to EU on GSP benefits extended to Sri Lanka
- Verify documents and register eligible exporters
- Conduct inspections or factory visits
- Investigate verifications
- Revoke exporters when it is needed



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Important Points to Remember

- Register before 31 December 2018
- **Once registered no need of GSP COOs**
- Must corporate with DOC/Competent Authority with inspections/factory visits and submitting of documents as requested.



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