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NOTICE

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Subject: TBT-11-005 Final Rule on the Use of the Manufacturer Identification Code for Textiles and Wearing Apparel

Distribution: Filers, importers, carriers and other interested parties

This informational notice announces the final rule on the use of the MID for textiles and wearing apparel and provides a summary of some of the significant changes of the final rule.

The final rule on the use of the Manufacturer Identification code (MID) for textiles and wearing apparel modifies the interim rule that came about as a consequence of the expiration of the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing on January 1, 2005. U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has determined that the interim rule, published as CBP Dec. 05-32 in the *Federal Register* (70 FR 58009) should be adopted as a final rule, with the change outlined below and in the *Federal Register* (76 FR 14575).

A change in the CBP regulations at 19 CFR 102.23(a) alters the requirement that importers of all textile and apparel products identify the entity performing the origin-conferring operations, limiting the MID requirement to commercial importations of textile and apparel goods.

Additionally, textile and apparel products have been defined as goods classified in Section XI of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) and goods classified in any ten-digit HTSUS number outside of Section XI that has a three-digit textile category number assigned to the specific subheading.

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