

Whether you are a novice or a specialist, this essential course will enhance your ability to classify goods with confidence.

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"Customs is instrumental in contributing to socio-economic development through revenue collection and trade facilitation for legitimate goods while providing increased security for the global supply chain and protecting society. In order to discharge these responsibilities in an efficient and harmonized manner, the customs community has developed, through the WCO, global customs standards and tools based on best practices from around the world."

Kunio Mikuriya
WCO Secretary General

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THE HARMONIZED SYSTEM IN A NUTSHELL

The Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System, better known as the Harmonized System or the HS, is one of the most successful trade facilitation instruments developed by the World Customs Organization. It is responsible for regulating approximately 98 % of all goods traded globally and is used by more than 200 countries and Customs or Economic Unions across the globe. The HS is widely recognised as the true "language of international trade".

ROLE OF THE WCO

The WCO manages this instrument, secures its uniform interpretation and application, and updates it to ensure that it reflects technological advances, changing trade patterns and development in security issues. This focused maintenance ensures that the HS continues to reflect the nature and structure of international trade. Given the important role played by the HS in today's trade environment, its administration and management is a key priority for the WCO.

GENERAL INTERPRETATIVE RULES

The Harmonized System incorporates a series of preliminary provisions codifying the principles on which the System is based and laying down general rules that are applied in hierarchical fashion to ensure its uniform interpretation. These rules form the foundation for classification as they enable goods to be simply and unequivocally assigned to a single heading (or subheading as the case may be) in the Harmonized System goods nomenclature. They therefore provide a step-by-step basis for the classification of goods.

E-LEARNING

The World Customs Centre of Learning's range of e-learning programmes dedicated to expanding your grasp of the Harmonized System, are designed to provide users with the necessary understanding of both core and key HS issues. And by means of practical goods classification exercises, users will be equipped with the necessary knowledge to expertly apply the HS Nomenclature with ease and with confidence. For optimal learning results it is recommended that participants complete e-learning modules prior to attending the face-to-face training sessions. Modules may be chosen according to your individual needs

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