

U.S. De Minimis Cheat Sheet

WHAT IS DE MINIMIS?

“De Minimis” is the minimum dollar value of goods and low-value shipments can enter the country tax- and duty-free.

WHAT'S DIFFERENT?

The United States of America increased the de minimis value from \$200 USD to \$800 USD. It was increased as part of the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015 and is the first time since 1993 that the de minimis has been increased.

CAN YOU GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE?

If you order a product online from anywhere in the world and it is under \$800 you will not pay any additional fees or taxes on delivery.

WHAT'S THE SAME?

All of the existing processes and restrictions for goods and low-value shipments will remain the same.

WHAT IMPORTATION PROCESSES ARE IN PLACE?

There are three processes currently in place:

- 1) **Manual Processing:** An importer may provide oral declaration or evidence documentation of purchased goods.
- 2) **Land Border Truck:** Low value shipments may be released off of the truck manifest by accepting the release on the primary lane.
- 3) **Rail, Sea, and Air:** Low value shipments may be released after the electronic manifest is reviewed by manual posting.

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

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