

## ANNOUNCEMENT

## EXPANSION OF METAL SCRAP CATEGORIES THAT ARE SUBJECTED TO CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL BY SIRIM

The Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry in December 2021, announced the implementation of the Guideline for the Importation and Inspection of Metal Scrap that came into force since 10 January 2022. Under the existing Guidelines, the importation of metal scraps under HS code 7204 (ferrous scrap), 7404 (copper scrap) and 7602 (aluminium scrap) are subjected to the issuance of a Certificate of Approval (COA) by SIRIM.

The Government has decided to expand the category of metal scrap that are subjected to COA through the Customs Order (Import Prohibition) (Amendment) 2024 [P.U.(A) 69/2024], effective 1 May 2024. The expansion will include 23 HS Codes under the 'metal waste and scrap' category, as follows:

| No. | Tariff Code  | Metal Scrap Category      |
|-----|--------------|---------------------------|
| 1.  | 7503         | Nickle waste and scrap    |
| 2.  | 7802         | Lead waste and scrap      |
| 3.  | 7902         | Zinc waste and scrap      |
| 4.  | 8002         | Tin waste and scrap       |
| 5.  | 8101.97.0000 | Tungsten waste and scrap  |
| 6.  | 8102.97.0000 | Molydenum waste and scrap |
| 7.  | 8103.30.0000 | Tantalum waste and scrap  |
| 8.  | 8104.20.0000 | Magnesium waste and scrap |
| 9.  | 8105.30.0000 | Cobalt waste and scrap    |
| 10. | 8106.10.1000 | Bismuth waste and scrap   |
| 11. | 8106.90.1000 |                           |
| 12. | 8108.30.0000 | Titanium waste and scrap  |
| 13. | 8109.31.0000 | Zirconium waste and scrap |
| 14. | 8109.39.0000 |                           |
| 15. | 8110.20.0000 | Antimony waste and scrap  |
| 16. | 8111.00.1000 | Manganese waste and scrap |
| 17. | 8112.13.0000 | Beryllium waste and scrap |
| 18. | 8112.22.0000 | Chromium waste and scrap  |
| 19. | 8112.31.0000 | Hafnium waste and scrap   |
| 20. | 8112.41.0000 | Rhenium waste and scrap   |
| 21. | 8112.52.0000 | Thallium waste and scrap  |
| 22. | 8112.61.0000 | Cadmium waste and scrap   |

| No. | Tariff Code  | Metal Scrap Category        |
|-----|--------------|-----------------------------|
| 23. | 8112.92.0000 | Other metal waste and scrap |

The current Guideline will be revised to reflect this change. The Government is cognisant that the improvement to the Guideline is critical to address the severe circumvention issues involving the importation of various types of metal scrap. MITI will be engaging with the relevant stakeholders to ensure the implementation of the revised Guideline will not disrupt raw material sourcing by the manufacturers.

MITI commends the commitment by all major manufacturers and importers in complying with the Guidelines since it has been enforced in 2022. MITI calls upon the industry to continue to support the overarching objective of the Guidelines in complying with our international commitment as prescribed through the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Goal 12: Ensure Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns as well as in upholding the Environment, Social and Governance (ESG) principles.

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