

MALACAÑANG
Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER 375

**MODIFYING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON CERTAIN IRON AND
STEEL PRODUCTS UNDER SECTION 104 OF THE TARIFF AND
CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978 (PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464), AS
AMENDED**

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7103 (s. 1991), otherwise known as the "Iron and Steel Industry Act", aims to promote Philippine industrialization through the immediate establishment of an integrated iron and steel industry that makes full and efficient use of the country's human and natural resources taking into consideration its critical impact on employment, indigenous resource utilization, and foreign exchange and balance of payments position;

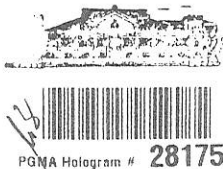
WHEREAS, the Iron and Steel Act further provides that the government shall provide impetus to the growth, promotion and development of the iron and steel industry as the springboard and basis for launching Philippine industrialization;

WHEREAS, the government recognizes the need to provide an enabling environment for the local iron and steel industry to attain international competitiveness;

WHEREAS, Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978 (Presidential Decree No. 1464), as amended, empowers the President of the Republic of the Philippines to increase, reduce or remove existing rates of import duty, as well as to modify the form of duty and the tariff nomenclature, under Section 104 of the Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in Annex "A" hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be subject to the Most-Favoured-Nation (MFN) import duty for the period in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article.



SECTION 2. The nomenclature and the rates of import duty on tariff headings not enumerated and those listed but represented by the symbol "x x x" shall remain in force and in effect.

SECTION 3. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in Annex "A" hereof which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be levied the MFN rates of duty therein prescribed.

SECTION 4. The Department of Trade and Industry, in coordination with the National Economic and Development Authority, the Department of Finance, the Tariff Commission and the Bureau of Customs, shall promulgate the implementing rules and regulations that will govern the implementation of this Executive Order.

SECTION 5. All Presidential issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are contrary to or inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately following its complete publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Done in the City of Manila this *22nd* day of *October* in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

Gloria Arago

By the President:


EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary



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Annex "A"

Hdg.	Tariff Code	Description	MFN Rate of Duty (%)
72.08		Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of 600 mm or more, hot-rolled, not clad, plated or coated.	
	7208.10	- In coils, not further worked than hot-rolled, with patterns in relief:	
	7208.10.10	-- Of a thickness of 10 mm or more but not exceeding 125 mm; of a thickness of less than 3 mm and containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon	3*
	7208.10.20	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm, and containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon; of a thickness of less than 3 mm and containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon	3*
	7208.10.30	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm, and containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon	3*
	7208.10.90	-- Other	3*
		- Other, in coils, not further worked than hot-rolled, pickled:	
	7208.25	-- Of a thickness of 4.75 mm or more:	
	7208.25.10	--- Coils for re-rolling	3*
		--- Other:	
	7208.25.91	---- Non alloy steel plates and sheets containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon	3*
	7208.25.99	---- Other	3*
	7208.26	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm:	
	7208.26.10	--- Steel plates and sheets containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon	3*
	7208.26.90	--- Other	3*
	7208.27	-- Of a thickness of less than 3 mm:	
		--- Of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm:	
	7208.27.11	---- Steel plates and sheets containing by weight 0.6 % or more of carbon	3*

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Hdg.	Tariff Code	Description	MFN Rate of Duty (%)
	7208.27.19	---- Other	3*
		--- Other:	
	7208.27.91	---- Steel plates and sheets containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon	3*
	7208.27.99	---- Other	3*
		- Other, in coils, not further worked than hot-rolled:	
	7208.36.00	-- Of a thickness exceeding 10 mm	3*
	7208.37	-- Of a thickness of 4.75 mm or more but not exceeding 10 mm:	
	7208.37.10	--- Steel plates and sheets containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon	3*
	7208.37.90	--- Other	3*
	7208.38	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm:	
	7208.38.10	--- Steel plates and sheets containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon	3*
	7208.38.90	--- Other	3*
	7208.39	-- Of a thickness of less than 3 mm:	
		--- Of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm:	
	7208.39.11	---- Steel plates and sheets containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon	3*
	7208.39.19	---- Other	3*
	7208.39.90	--- Other	3*
	7208.40.00	- Not in coils, not further worked than hot-rolled, with patterns in relief	3*
		- Other, not in coils, not further worked than hot-rolled:	
	7208.51.00	-- Of a thickness exceeding 10 mm	3*
	7208.52.00	-- Of a thickness of 4.75 mm or more but not exceeding 10 mm	3*
	7208.53.00	- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm	3*

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	7208.54.00	-- Of a thickness of less than 3 mm	3*
	7208.90	- Other:	
	7208.90.10	-- Of a thickness of 10 mm or more but not exceeding 125 mm; of a thickness of less than 3 mm and containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon	3*
	7208.90.20	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm and containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon; of a thickness of less than 3 mm and containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon	3*
	7208.90.30	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm and containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon	3*
	7208.90.90	-- Other	3*
72.09		Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of 600 mm or more, cold-rolled (cold-reduced), not clad, plated or coated.	
		- In coils, not further worked than cold-rolled (cold-reduced):	
	7209.15.00	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more	3*
	7209.16.00	-- Of a thickness exceeding 1 mm but less than 3 mm	3*
	7209.17.00	-- Of a thickness of 0.5 mm or more but not exceeding 1 mm	3*
	7209.18	-- Of a thickness of less than 0.5 mm:	
	7209.18.10	--- x x x	
	7209.18.90	--- Other	3*

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Hdg.	Tariff Code	Description	MFN Rate of Duty (%)
		- Not in coils, not further worked than cold-rolled (cold-reduced):	
	7209.25.00	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more	3*
	7209.26.00	-- Of a thickness exceeding 1 mm but less than 3 mm	3*
	7209.27.00	-- Of a thickness of 0.5 mm or more but not exceeding 1 mm	3*
	7209.28.00	-- Of a thickness of less than 0.5 mm	3*
	7209.90.00	- Other	3*
72.11		Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of less than 600 mm, not clad, plated or coated.	
		- Not further worked than hot-rolled:	
	7211.13	-- Rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, of a width exceeding 150 mm and a thickness of not less than 4 mm, not in coils and without patterns in relief:	
		--- Containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon:	
	7211.13.11	---- Universal plates	3*
	7211.13.12	---- Hoop and strip	3*
	7211.13.19	---- Other	3*
		--- Other:	
	7211.13.91	---- Universal plates	3*
	7211.13.92	---- Corrugated	3*
	7211.13.93	---- Hoop and strip	3*
	7211.13.99	---- Other	3*
	7211.14	-- Other, of a thickness of 4.75 mm or more:	

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		--- Containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon:	
	7211.14.11	---- Universal plates	3*
	7211.14.12	---- Hoop and strip	3*
	7211.14.19	---- Other	3*
		--- Other:	
	7211.14.91	---- Universal plates	3*
	7211.14.92	---- Coils for re-rolling	3*
	7211.14.93	---- Corrugated	3*
	7211.14.94	---- Other, hoop and strip	3*
	7211.14.99	---- Other	3*
	7211.19	-- Other:	
		--- Containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon:	
	7211.19.11	---- Tape and band exceeding 25 mm but not exceeding 100 mm in width	3*
	7211.19.12	---- Other, hoop and strip	3*
	7211.19.19	---- Other	3*
		--- Other:	
	7211.19.91	---- Tape and band exceeding 100 mm in width	3*
	7211.19.92	---- Coils for re-rolling	3*
	7211.19.93	---- Corrugated	3*
	7211.19.94	---- Other, hoop and strip	3*

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Hdg.	Tariff Code	Description	MFN Rate of Duty (%)
	7211.19.99	----- Other	3*
		- Not further worked than cold-rolled (cold-reduced):	
	7211.23	-- Containing by weight less than 0.25% of carbon:	
	7211.23.10	--- Corrugated	3*
	7211.23.20	--- Tape and band exceeding 25 mm but not exceeding 100 mm in width	3*
	7211.23.30	--- Other, hoop and strip, not exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.23.40	--- Other, hoop and strip, exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.23.50	--- Other, of a thickness more than 40 mm	3*
		--- Other:	
	7211.23.91	----- Of a thickness of 0.170 mm or less	3*
	7211.23.99	----- Other	3*
	7211.29	-- Other:	
		--- Containing by weight 0.25% or more but less than 0.6% of carbon:	
	7211.29.11	----- Corrugated	3*
	7211.29.12	----- Tape and band exceeding 25 mm but not exceeding 100 mm in width	3*
	7211.29.13	----- Other, hoop and strip, not exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.29.14	----- Other, hoop and strip, exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.29.15	----- Other, of a thickness of 0.170 mm or less	3*
	7211.29.19	----- Other	3*
		--- Containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon:	

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	7211.29.21	---- Tape and band exceeding 25 mm but not exceeding 100 mm in width	3*
	7211.29.22	---- Other, hoop and strip, not exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.29.23	---- Other, hoop and strip, exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.29.29	---- Other	3*
	7211.90	- Other: -- Containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon:	
	7211.90.11	--- Tape and band exceeding 25 mm but not exceeding 100 mm in width	3*
	7211.90.12	--- Other, hoop and strip, not exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.90.13	--- Other, hoop and strip, exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.90.19	--- Other	3*
	7211.90.91	-- Other: --- Corrugated	3*
	7211.90.92	--- Tape and band exceeding 25 mm but not exceeding 100 mm in width	3*
	7211.90.93	--- Other, hoop and strip, not exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.90.94	--- Other, hoop and strip, exceeding 400 mm in width	3*
	7211.90.95	--- Other, of a thickness of 0.170 mm or less	3*
	7211.90.99	--- Other	3*

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