

## 1523 Disclosure of Advance Ruling on Origin

Importers are required to indicate the origin of the goods in an import declaration.

As a basis for determination of origin, rules of origin are stipulated in Customs-related laws and regulations for GSP (Generalized System for Preferences), and non-preferential purposes. For Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs), each agreement provides its rules of origin.

In order to enhance transparency and predictability for importers, Japan Customs discloses the advance rulings on origin which have been issued in writing. The information is available on the Japan Customs website and at the Customs offices. (Please refer to the following page (available in Japanese only): <http://www.customs.go.jp/zeikan/seido/origin/kaitoujirei.htm> )

As a general rule, an advance ruling issued in writing would be disclosed. Applicants for advance rulings may request a postponement of disclosure for a maximum period of 180 days.

### List of Telephone Numbers and Email Addresses for Advance Ruling on Origin

Hakodate Customs	0138-40-4255	hkd-gyomu-gensan@customs.go.jp
Tokyo Customs	03-3599-6527	tyo-gyomu-origin@customs.go.jp
Yokohama Customs	045-212-6174	yok-gensanchi@customs.go.jp
Nagoya Customs	052-654-4205	<a href="mailto:nagoya-gyomu-gensanchi@customs.go.jp">nagoya-gyomu-gensanchi@customs.go.jp</a>
Osaka Customs	06-6576-3196	osaka-gensanchi@customs.go.jp
Kobe Customs	078-333-3097	kobe-gensan@customs.go.jp
Moji Customs	050-3530-8369	moji-gyomu@customs.go.jp
Nagasaki Customs	095-828-8801	nagasaki-gensanchi@customs.go.jp
Okinawa Regional Customs	098-943-7830	oki-9a-gensanchi@customs.go.jp