

**4029 Elimination of Tariffs on Imported Goods under Japan Switzerland
Economic Partnership Agreement**

Japan is to either eliminate or reduce tariffs (concessions) in line with the schedule described in Annex 1 of the EPA. Categories of concession such as tariff elimination, tariff reduction and tariff rate quota, etc. are prescribed in the "Notes for the Schedule of Japan" of Section 1 of Appendix 1 of Annex I (Reference 1). Also, the content of the commitment on tariff rate quota is prescribed in "Notes for Schedule of Japan" (Reference 2).

(Reference 1: Categories of Concession)

Categories	Description	Detail
A	Tariff elimination as from the date of entry into force of EPA	instant coffee, aromatic oil, pectic substances, pectinates and pectates
Bx	Tariff elimination by gradual and uniform tariff reduction on a yearly basis in "x+1" phases from the base rate x = 3, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 15 (First reduction : date of entry into force Subsequent reduction : April 1 of each year)	roasted coffee, fruits (dried), bottle wine, plastics, petroleum product
Pa-Pm	Application of committed rate as from the date of entry into force of EPA (Immediate Tariff Reduction)	waffle, wafer, fruits puree
Pn	Gradual tariff elimination or reduction on a yearly basis in 11 phases from the base rate to 5%	leather and shoes
Q	Tariff rate quota	specific natural cheese, chocolate confectionary, cocoa preparations
X	Excluded from any commitments	rice, wheat, processed products of rice or wheat, beef, pork, marine products (IQ)

(Reference 2: Content of the commitment on tariff rate quota)

Mark	Product	Content of the commitment
(Qa)	Dried beef	Allocated quota: First year 2t → Sixth year and subsequent year 10t In-quota rate: 80.75yen/kg

(Qb)	Specific natural cheese	Allocated quota: First year 600t → Eleventh year and subsequent year 1000t In-quota rate: First year 29.8% → Sixth year 14.9%
(Qc)	Sugar Confectionary	Allocated quota: 100t/year, In-quota rate: 20%
(Qd)	Cocoa preparation (not containing added sugar)	Allocated quota: 5t/year, In-quota rate: Free
(Qe)	Chocolate confectionary	Allocated quota: 1500t/year, In-quota rate: 8%
	Cheese Preparation	Allocated quota: 23t/year, In-quota rate: 21%
(Qf)	* Made from cheese, wine and other ingredients such as spirits, salt, starch (maximum 3% by weight), spices, not less than 50% of which is cheese by weight, not less than 20% of which is alcoholic beverages by weight and put up in containers for retail sale by weight of 0.9kg or less each including container for retail sale	

- Schedule of Japan (Annex 1) (Japanese)
http://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/gaiko/fta/j_swit/pdfs/fuzoku01.pdf
- Schedule of Japan and Switzerland (Annex 1) (English)
<http://www.mofa.go.jp/region/europe/switzerland/epa0902/annex1.pdf>