

A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO UNDERSTANDING CANADIAN CUSTOMS

The **Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)** ensures Canada's security and prosperity by facilitating and overseeing international travel and trade across Canada's border.

SECTION I

Every item that crosses the Canadian border must pass through the CBSA. This process may vary depending on several factors, including...

- 1** What the item is
- 2** Who it's intended for
- 3** Which other government agencies would be involved in bringing it into Canada

THE RULES

WHO MAKES THE RULES?

The Government of Canada

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The number of acts and regulations administered by CBSA on behalf of other federal departments and agencies, including international agreements.

Changing the rules

Rules and regulations can in certain situations such as changing political environment or shifts in manufacturing countries. Stay up-to-date by...

Signing up
for regular
updates
online

Keeping in
touch with
your customs
broker

Going to
CBSA's website:
[www.cbsa-
asfc.gc.ca](http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca)

Attending
webinars
or industry
events

DID YOU KNOW...

The **purpose of duty** is a consumption tax on imported goods. If an item is made domestically, a duty could be assessed to ensure that when those items are imported, they are priced similarly to those produced domestically.

In some cases, like NAFTA or USMCA, **duties can be removed** based on our relationship with these countries.

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