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# *Special Agricultural Safeguard*

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# Notification requirements



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# Who ?



**Only** those Members who have reserved the right in their Schedules to use the SSG

*Australia, Barbados, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Botswana, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, EC, Guatemala, Iceland, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Namibia, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Panama, Philippines, South Africa, Swaziland, Switzerland-Liechtenstein, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, Tunisia, United States, Uruguay.*

# Eligible products ?



**Only** those products in respect of which the right to use the SSG/SGS/SGE has been reserved by a Member in its Schedule.



**Schedule .... - Member X**

*PART I - MOST-FAVOURLED-NATION TARIFF*

*SECTION I - Agricultural Products*

*SECTION I - A Tariffs*

Tariff item number	Description of products	Base rate of duty			Bound rate of duty		Implementation	Special safeguard	Initial negotiating right
		Ad valorem (%)	Other (currency)	U/B	Ad valorem (%)	Other (currency)			
1	2	3			4		5	6	7
0602.10.01	for horticultural purposes each:	80	1.08		51	0.69		SSG	
0602.10.02	other	2.6			0.52				
0602.10.03	slips:	2.6			0.52				
0602.20.00	trees, shrubs and bushes, grafted or not, of kinds which bear edible fruit or nuts		1.00			0.30			
0602.30.01	azalea indica each:	23	2.49		17	1.87		SSG	
0602.30.09	other		0.10			0.03			
0602.40.00	roses, grafted or not each:	100	6.82		64	4.36		SSG	

# Formats?



*Ad hoc*

**Table MA:3** – Volume-based safeguard

“Up-front” or  
*ad hoc*

**Table MA:4** – Price-based safeguard

Annual

**Table MA:5** – Annual Summary of safeguard actions,  
both volume or price-based



**Table MA:3 MARKET ACCESS: name of Member**

*Notification under Article 5 of the Agreement: special  
safeguard: volume-based*

- (1) Description of product:**
- (2) Tariff item number:**
- (3) Trigger level:** **tonnes**  
*(as calculated in Annex 1)*
- (4) Volume of imports entering  
territory in current period:** **tonnes**
- (5) Period of application:**  
*(calendar/marketing year or shorter period for perishable  
or seasonal products (specify))*



## Annex 1 to Table MA:3 above

### Information required for the calculation of the trigger Level

Imports in the 3 preceding years:

Year 1:	tonnes
Year 2:	tonnes
Year 3:	tonnes
Average:	tonnes

*Else trigger level: 125% (ref. footnote 3)*

**And if import penetration is taken into account:**

Consumption in the 3 preceding years:

Year 1:	tonnes
Year 2:	tonnes
Year 3:	tonnes
Average:	tonnes

Method of allocation of change in consumption to the tariff line concerned:



**Table MA:4 MARKET ACCESS: name of Member**

*Notification under Article 5: special safeguard: price-based*

**A "UP-FRONT" NOTIFICATION OF TRIGGER PRICES**

Tariff item number	Description of product	Trigger price
		(as calculated in Annex 1)

**B AD HOC NOTIFICATION**

***Definition in footnote 2***

- (1) Description of product:
- (2) Tariff item number:
- (3) Trigger price: *(as calculated in Annex 1)*
- (4) Date of application:



## **Annex 1 to Table MA:4 above**

### **Information required for the calculation of the Trigger Price**

#### **Prices in the reference period:**

1986:	/tonne
1987:	/tonne
1988:	/tonne
Average:	/tonne

#### ***Source of price information***



**Table MA:5 MARKET ACCESS: name of Member**

**REPORTING PERIOD:** *calendar year, marketing year etc.*

***Annual summary of special safeguard actions taken***

<b>Tariff item number</b>	<b>Description of product</b>	<b>Whether volume-based action taken during period</b>	<b>Whether price-based action taken during period</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>

# When ?



## **Table MA:3:**

Before invoking a volume-based SSG action (if practicable) and in any event within 10 days of the implementation of such action

## **Table MA:4:**

Anytime before invoking a price-based measure in the form of an up-front notification;

If **no up-front notification**, ad hoc notification before invoking a price-based SSG action (if practicable) and in any event within 10 days of the implementation of such action.

## **Table MA:5:**

No later than 30 days following the year in question



# Data needs ?

## Table MA:3

- Imports, and corresponding consumption (*if used*) during the three preceding years
- Imports entering in the current period

## Table MA:4

- Trigger prices (average c.i.f unit value *during 1986-88*)
- Source of price information

## Table MA:5

- Volume-based actions: sourced from **Table MA:3**
- Price-based actions: sourced from **Table MA:4 (ad-hoc)**