

**NOTICE 257 OF 2005****INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION**  
**OF SOUTH AFRICA****CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TARIFF APPLICATIONS****LIST 3/2005**

The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (ITAC) has received the following applications concerning the Customs and Excise Tariff. **Any** objection to or comment on these representations should be submitted to the Chief Commissioner, ITAC, Private **Bag** X753, Pretoria, 0001, within six weeks of the date of this notice. Attention is drawn to the fact that the rate of duty mentioned in the application is that requested by the applicant and that the Commission may, depending on its findings, recommend a lower or higher rate of duty.

**CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

*Please note that if any information is considered to be confidential then a non-confidential version of the information must be submitted, simultaneously with the confidential version. In submitting a non-confidential version the following rules are strictly applicable and parties must indicate:*

- Where confidential information has been omitted and the nature of such information;*
- A summary of the confidential information which permits a reasonable understanding of the substance of the confidential information; and*
- In exceptional cases, where information is not susceptible to summary, reasons must be submitted to this effect.*

**This** rule applies to all parties and to all correspondence with and submissions to the

*Commission, which unless indicated to be confidential and filed together with a non-confidential version, will be made available to other interested parties.*

*If a party considers that any document of another party, on which that party is submitting representations, does not comply with the above rules and that such deficiency affects that party's ability to make meaningful representations, the details of the deficiency and the reasons why that party's rights are so affected must be submitted to the commission in writing forthwith (and at the latest 14 days prior to the date on which that party's submission is due). Failure to do so timeously will seriously hamper the proper administration of the investigation, and such party will not be able to subsequently claim an inability to make meaningful representations on the basis of the failure of such other party to meet the requirements.*

**INCREASE IN THE RATE OF DUTY ON:**

1. Reach stackers of the boom type for container handling of a mass not exceeding 6 000kg

**Applicant:**

Bond Industries  
P.O.Box 914  
**KLERKSDORP**  
**2570**

[ITAC Ref. T5/2/18/1 (36/2004) Mr. D Smith, Tel: (012) 394 3684,  
Fax: (012) 394 0522]

Reason for the application: Reach stackers of the boom type for container handling of a mass not exceeding 6 000kg are manufactured domestically and the manufacturer would benefit from the encouragement to further develop the market, as provided by the ad valorem duty of **15%**.

This is a reinstatement of the tariff description and duty as this tariff item was previously scrapped to the disadvantage of the manufacturer of these capital items.

2. Supports for split roller bearing housings with a spherical inner diameter of 100mm or more but not exceeding 400mm currently classifiable under tariff subheading 73.25, from free of duty to 10% ad valorem and;

Bearing housings whether or not fitted with a support, for split roller bearings with a shaft size of 35mm or more but not exceeding 200mm and a spherical outer diameter of 100mm or more but not exceeding 400mm currently classifiable under tariff subheading 8483.30, from free of duty to 10% ad valorem.

**Applicant:**

O.E. Bearings (Pty) Ltd  
P.O.Box 38745  
**BOOYENS**  
2016

[ITAC Ref. T5/2/18/1 (46/2004) Mr. D Smith, Tel: (012) 394 3684,  
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Reason for the application: The applicant is a relatively small domestic manufacturer of split bearing housing and supports for these housings and is trying to establish itself and the proposed duties will serve as protection and encouragement for the development of the domestic manufacturing of bearing housings and their supports.

**REVISION OF THE DUTY ON:**

Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate) not containing cocoa, classifiable under tariff subheading 1704.90.

**Applicant:**

South African Chocolate and Sweet Manufacturers Association  
P O Box 41417  
**CRAIGHALL**  
2024

[ITAC Ref. T5/2/4/1 (50/2004) Mr. B Mokgatle, Tel: (012) 394 3680,  
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Reason for the application: The future of the SACU sugar confectionery industry is uncertain as a result of a surge in imports at low prices than the SACU prices. According to the applicant, the major producers of sugar confectionery products are already in the process of downsizing due to negative returns experienced, which also resulted in the liquidation of at least five manufacturers over the past twelve months. The applicant added that the international sugar pricing is highly distorted as a result of subsidies and high tariffs in major developed countries.

**REDUCTON IN THE RATE OF DUTY ON:**

1. Other self-propelled works trucks fitted with lifting and handling equipment.

**Applicant:**

Safcor Panalpina  
P.O. Box 97  
**ISANDO**  
1600

[ITAC Ref. T5/2/18/1 (36/2004) Mi. D Smith, Tel: (012) 394 3684,  
Fax: (012) 394 522]

Reason for the application: There are no domestic manufacturers of other self-propelled works trucks fitted with lifting and handling equipment and the duty does not serve a protective purpose, but is a cost burden to the industry and consumers.

2. Forklift trucks (previously 'Other self-propelled trucks of a mass exceeding 6 000 kg), of a mass exceeding 10 000kg, classifiable under *tariff* subheading 8427.20.20.

**Applicant:**

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Reason for the application: There are no domestic manufacturers of fork-lift trucks of a mass less than 10 000kg and the duty does not serve a protective purpose, but is a cost burden to the industry and consumers.

3. Vehicles of the open body tubular frame type, with an engine capacity not exceeding 250cm<sup>3</sup> and a vehicle mass not exceeding 250kg, classifiable under tariff subheading 8703.21, from 36% ad valorem to **free** of duty.

[ITAC Ref. T5/2/17/1 (61/2004) Mr B. Mdikane, Tel: (012) 394 3686  
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**Applicant**

X-Treme Off-road Karts  
P.O. Box 244  
**FERNDALE**  
2160

Reason for application: X-Treme Off-road Karts contends that there are no local manufacturers to be protected by the 36% duty. The duty is an additional cost to the applicant and the consumers.

**REBATE OF THE DUTY ON:**

Fresh, chilled or frozen salmon, classifiable under tariff subheadings 0302.12, 0303.11, 0303.19 and 0303.22 for the further processing thereof as envisaged in the terms of the headings **03.04** and 03.05.

**Applicant:**

Weber Wentzel Bowens  
P O Box 1820  
**CAPE TOWN**  
8000

On behalf of: Blue Atlantic Trading (Pty) Ltd, Breco (Pty) Ltd, Diamant Quality Products cc, Greys Marine cc, Lusitania Food Products (Pty) Ltd, Salmo Smoke House, Scansa Trade (Pty) Ltd, Three Stream Smoke House (Pty) Ltd and Woolworths (Pty) Ltd

[ITAC Ref. T5/2/4/1 (44/2004) Mr. A Zietsman, Tel: (012) 394 3673,  
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Reason for the application: This application for a rebate of the customs duty on the imported salmon used as raw material by SA fish processors is made to avoid the massive impact which the increase in duty on Salmon will have on employment at SA fish processing establishments.

**GENERAL :**

1. Amendment of the description of tariff subheading 8427.20.10 to read as follows:  
Forklift trucks of a mass not exceeding 10 000 kg.
  
2. Amendment of the description of tariff subheading 8427.20.20 to read as follows:  
Forklift trucks of a mass exceeding 10 000 kg.

**Applicant:**

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