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TRADE POLICY UPDATE:

Section 232 Tariff Extended to Copper Imports

Effective August 1, 2025, copper and copper derivative products listed in [CopperHTSlist073125.docx](#), entering the United States for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, will now be subject to an additional 50% ad valorem duty under Section 232. The 50% duty is to be reported based upon the value of the copper content.

Valuation must follow the **Customs Valuation Agreement** (19 U.S.C. §1401a)

- The value of the copper content is the total price paid or payable for that content, which is:
 - The total payment made/to be made for the copper content by the buyer to, or for the benefit of, the seller of the copper content.
- For goods composed entirely of copper - The dutiable value of the copper content is the total entered value
- For goods containing copper and other materials - the value of the copper content and the value of the non-copper content must be reported separately on the entry lines.
 - Values should be clearly identified on the commercial invoice (preferred) or by written notice with supporting documentation.
 - Documentation may include:
 - Bill of materials
 - Material invoices
 - Accounting records substantiating reported values
- If copper content value cannot be determined - the additional duty imposed will be assessed on the total entered value.

If insufficient documentation is provided to substantiate the reported values, CBP will collect the duties on the copper content based on the entire value of the good.

Importers who submit underreported declarations may be subject to severe consequences, such as significant monetary penalties, loss of import privileges, and criminal liability, consistent with United States law.

Exemption of Goods Subject to Section 232 Duties

- Non-copper content remains subject to other applicable duties, including reciprocal tariffs.
- Goods subject to Section 232 duties on automobiles and automobile parts are exempt from additional copper-related duties.

Sources: U.S. Customs and Border Protection. (2025, July 31). CSMS #65794272 – Guidance: Section 232 import duties on copper and copper derivative products. U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

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<https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/ANNEX1.png>

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/ANNEX2.png>

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