



FREE TRADE AGREEMENT

Manufacturers with global supply chains face numerous challenges when trying to take advantage of Free Trade Agreement (FTA) benefits. The FTA compliance regulation challenges multiply as companies expand into new geographic areas around the globe.

Monitoring and analyzing applicable FTA program eligibility is a time consuming and complex effort.

Manufacturers must confirm their goods qualify and then prepare and disseminate FTA Certificates of Origin. Qualified products may require reassessment throughout the year as changes to legislation, costs, bill of materials or suppliers can impact FTA qualification. Despite the associated cost savings, many companies avoid the benefits of FTA duty minimization programs due to the anticipated burden and complexity.

BENEFITS

QAD Free Trade Agreement (QAD FTA) provides the ability to determine origin under free trade agreements as well as associated required documentation for any industry in every region of the world. Organizations can automate and audit free trade agreement processes to ensure due diligence with the Rules of Origin regulation requirements.

Reduce or eliminate import tariffs on selected goods traded between signatory countries

Accurately identify source suppliers in countries which have reciprocal FTA programs

Improve customer satisfaction by ensuring the timely generation of supporting documents

Eliminate manually intensive processes and simplify interactions with customers and compliance officials

Minimize costs by qualifying for preferential duty and tax treatment

Reduce the time needed to qualify goods for an FTA

Ensure goods meet certain FTA conditions related to its production process or its percentage of locally sourced content

Automatically qualify goods according to current preferential Rules of Origin legislation

SOLUTION OVERVIEW

As part of the QAD Transportation Management System (QAD TMS), **QAD FTA** determines the origin of goods in relation to tariff shift, regional value content (RVC), country specific HTS# prioritization and de minimis thresholds using current FTA legislation in North America, Latin America, Europe and Asia Pacific to ensure preferential duty treatment.

- **Identifies potential free trade agreements** for preferential duty savings
- **Complies with FTA requirements** for all 450+ WTO trade agreements
- **Covers Rules of Origin** across all HTS headings
- **Determines origin status** under FTA using automated rules of origin
- **Creates a permanent audit trail of the origin determination results** associated with transactions that are processed in the system
- **Identifies all compliance checks that were performed** and the outcome of each check
- **Solicits supplier documentation** and Certificates of Origin for eligible products
- **Automatically generates Certificates of Origin** on behalf of the manufacturer
- **Provides compliance alerts** to manage FTA processes by exception
- **Maintains valid Certificates of Origin** for sourced materials
- **Generates accurate trade documentation** to maintain import and export compliance in a timely manner
- **Automates the FTA qualification process** for every region of the world
- **Ensures that valid HS numbers** are used throughout the FTA application
- **Seamlessly integrates** with QAD and other business systems for consistent, refined calculations and centralized data

COMPLIES WITH FTA REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL 450+ WTO TRADE AGREEMENTS

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