







## CUSMA / USMCA / T-MEC Certificate of Origin Instructions

### ANNEX 5-A: Minimum Data Elements

A certification of origin that is the basis for a claim for preferential tariff treatment under this Agreement shall include the following elements:

- 1. Exporter**  
Provide the exporter's name, address (including country), telephone, and e-mail address if different from the certifier. This information is not required if the producer is completing the certification of origin and does not know the identity of the exporter. The address of the exporter shall be the place of export of the good in a Party's territory.
- 2. Blanket Period**  
Include the period if the certification covers multiple shipments of identical goods for a specified period of up to 12 months as set out in Article 5.2 (Claims for Preferential Treatment). For a certification covering goods in a single shipment, please refer to the instructions in 5(b) below.
- 3. Producer**  
Provide the producer's name, address (including country), telephone, and e-mail address, if different from the certifier or exporter or, if there are multiple producers, state "Various" or provide a list of producers. A person that wishes for this information to remain confidential may state "Available upon request by the Importing authorities". The address of the producer shall be the place of production of the good in a Party's territory.
- 4. Importer**  
Provide, if known, the importer's name, address, telephone, and e-mail address. The address of the importer shall be in a Party's territory.
- 5. Description of the Good(s)**
  - (a) provide a full description of the good, that ties directly to its description in the commercial invoice, including any relevant item, part or SKU identification numbers; and
  - (b) if the certification of origin covers a single shipment of goods, indicate, if known, the invoice number(s) along with the bill of lading and/or purchase number(s).
- 6. HS Tariff Classification Number**  
Provide the HS Tariff classification for each of the goods described in Field 5, to a minimum of the 6-digit level.
- 7. Origin Criterion**  
Specify the rule of origin under which the good qualifies, as set out in Article 4.2 (Originating Goods);
  - 4.2(a)** Wholly obtained or produced entirely in the territory of one of more of the Parties, as defined in Article 4.3 (Wholly Obtained or Produced Goods);
  - 4.2(b)** Produced entirely in the territory of one or more of the Parties using non-originating materials provided the good satisfies all applicable requirements of Annex 4-B (Product-Specific Rules of Origin).
  - 4.2(c)** Produced entirely in the territory of one or more of the Parties exclusively from originating materials; or
  - 4.2(d)** Produced entirely in the territory of one or more of the Parties, is classified with its materials or satisfies the "unassembled goods" requirement, and meets the stated RVC threshold.
- 8. Country of Origin**  
Provided the country of manufacture for each of the goods described in Field 5.
- 9. Certifier's Statement**  
Indicate the total number of pages of the certification, including all attachments.
- 9a. Authorized Signature**  
The certification must be signed and dated by the certifier processing the knowledge and responsibility as outlined in the Certification Statement in Field 8.
- 9b-c. Certifier's Information** – Provide the certifier's name (print or type), title, phone, fax and email address.
- 9d. Importer, Exporter or Producer Certification of Origin**  
Indicate whether the certifier is the Exporter, Producer, or Importer in accordance with Article 5.2 (Claims for Preferential Treatment).