

Customs (International Obligations) Amendment (Pacific Agreement on Closer Economic Relations Plus Implementation) Regulations 2018

I, General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Ret’d), Governor‑General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 21 November 2018

Peter Cosgrove

Governor‑General

By His Excellency’s Command

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Customs (International Obligations) Amendment (Pacific Agreement on Closer Economic Relations Plus Implementation) Regulations 2018*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information | | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. Sections 1 to 4 and anything in this instrument not elsewhere covered by this table | The day after this instrument is registered. | 27 November 2018 |
| 2. Schedule 1 | At the same time as Schedule 1 to the *Customs Amendment (Pacific Agreement on Closer Economic Relations Plus Implementation) Act 2018* commences. | 13 December 2020 |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Customs Act 1901.*

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Customs (International Obligations) Regulation 2015

1 Section 4 (before paragraph (a) of the definition of *Declaration of Origin*)

Insert:

(aa) in relation to Pacific Islands originating goods—has the meaning given by subsection 153ZKL(1) of the Act; or

2 Section 4

Insert:

***Pacific Islands originating goods*** has the meaning given by subsection 153ZKL(1) of the Act.

3 Section 23 (after table item 8)

Insert:

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| 8A | Pacific Islands originating goods | Duty has been paid on the goods. |
| 8B | Goods that would have been Pacific Islands originating goods if, at the time the goods were imported, the importer held a Declaration of Origin or a copy of a Declaration of Origin for the goods | Both of the following apply:  (a) duty has been paid on the goods;  (b) the importer holds a Declaration of Origin or a copy of a Declaration of Origin for the goods at the time of making the application for the refund. |

4 After paragraph 24(d)

Insert:

(da) the goods mentioned in item 8A or 8B of the table in section 23 are Pacific Islands originating goods; or

5 Subsection 31(2) (paragraph (a) of the definition of *duty payable*)

After “7,”, insert “8A,”.

6 Subsection 31(2) (paragraph (b) of the definition of *duty payable*)

After “8,”, insert “8B,”.

7 Subsection 31(2) (after paragraph (d) of the definition of *relevant originating goods*)

Insert:

(da) Pacific Islands originating goods;