

Brexit - Commodity Codes (HS Codes)



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To continue shipping goods cross-border between the UK and EU, you will have to learn about commodity codes.

Please see below guide on how to find the right code for your invoice.

What are commodity codes (HS Codes)?

HS Code stands for Harmonised Systems Code and is a description and coding system developed by the World Customs Organization (WCO). It covers over 5,000 commodity groups, each identified by a six to twelve digit code. The first six digits of the HS are used universally. Each country may then add to the original six to suit its own tariff and statistical needs, creating eight, ten, and sometimes twelve digit national codes.

Where do I find them?

On the government website via this [link](#)

Things to consider when selecting a commodity code

Selecting the correct commodity codes for imports into or exports out of the UK or EU

- What the product is?
- What it is made of?
- What it is used for?
- How the products work/function?

Example 1 – 'Dress'

70% Cotton, 30% Polyester enter "dresses" in the search box Select whether it is knitted or crocheted or other than knitted or crocheted

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Trade Tariff: look up commodity codes, duty and VAT rates

Search the tariff

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dresses

dresses - knitted or crocheted women's or girls

dresses - other than knitted or crocheted women's or girls

Section title	[BETA] Trade Tariff PDF (94MB)	Section	Chapters
Live animals: animal products		I	1 to 5
Vegetable products		II	6 to 14
Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products: prepared edible fats: animal or vegetable waxes		III	15
Prepared foodstuffs; beverages, spirits and vinegar: tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes		IV	16 to 24
Mineral products		V	25 to 27
Products of the chemical or allied industries		VI	28 to 38
Plastics and articles thereof: rubber and articles thereof		VII	39 to 40
Raw hides and skins, leather, furskins and articles thereof: saddlery and harness: travel goods, handbags and similar containers: articles of animal gut (other than silkworm gut)		VIII	41 to 43

Click on Dresses and select the type of material the dress is made from.

In this case as the dress is 70% cotton, select "Of cotton". (If not sure of the material the dress is made of select "of other textile materials" and "of other textile materials")

Select if the dress is hand printed or not. If not, the commodity code is **6204420090**.

There are [important notes for classifying your goods](#) shown further down this page

Get guidance on this product area: [Textiles and textile articles](#) or [Discuss this chapter in the forums](#)

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Level	Description	VAT	Third country duty	Supplementary unit	Commodity code
-	▶ Suits				
-	▶ Ensembles				
-	▶ Jackets and blazers				
-	▼ Dresses				
- -	Of wool or fine animal hair	20% or 0%	12.00 %	p/st	61 04 41 00 00
- -	Of cotton	20% or 0%	12.00 %	p/st	61 04 42 00 00
- -	Of synthetic fibres	20% or 0%	12.00 %	p/st	61 04 43 00 00
- -	Of artificial fibres	20% or 0%	12.00 %	p/st	61 04 44 00 00
- -	Of other textile materials	20% or 0%	12.00 %	p/st	61 04 49 00 00
-	▶ Skirts and divided skirts				
-	▶ Trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts				

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Example 2 – 'Plastic salad bowl'
(Composition of plastic unknown)

Enter Tableware in the search box.

Select "tableware, plastic" followed by "Other"

Commodity code is 3924900090

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