

General System of Preferences (GSP) Renewed

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<u>Generalized System of Preferences</u> (GSP), the program that allows over 3,500 products from economically developing countries to enter the U.S. duty free, expired December 31, 2017. On March 23 President Trump signed <u>H.R. 1625</u>, which retroactively renewed the GSP from January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2020.

Importers should continue to flag GSP-eligible imports with the special program indicator (SPI) "A" and pay normal duty rates until the effective date, April 22, 2018. After that date, refunds will be issued for all entries where GSP was claimed but duty was paid during the lapse period.

If the SPI "A" was not transmitted during the lapse period, an importer may submit a duty refund request. This request should include the following information

- Entry number
- Line number
- HTSUS number
- Estimated total refund
- Signed statement that the goods are eligible for GSP
- Point of contact name, phone number and email address

If Mohawk files Customs entries on your behalf, we will continue to flag GSP-eligible goods with the SPI

"A", as recommended by U.S. Customs. If you have any questions or need help filing a refund request, contact your Mohawk customer service representative.



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