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Notice to Traders 06/21

Imports of Rice under Statutory Instrument 2020 No. 1432

Introduction

This notice explains how the rules are applied to this quota and how to apply for a licence. It also advises you of the quota amounts available in the February 2021 quota period for semi milled, wholly milled, husked and broken rice. Details of the quantities available are given in Annex 1 of this notice.

Proof of Trade

You must provide the following documents to prove that you are eligible for a rice quota licence. If you do not have the proof of trade as detailed below, you are not eligible, and you cannot apply for a quota licence.

You must be established and registered for VAT in the UK. You must tell us your current VAT registration number. You can provide your VAT number on your quota licence application or send us a copy of your current VAT certificate. However, if your company is part of a group VAT registration number, we will need to see a copy of your current VAT certificate before the quota deadline.

If this is your first application in the quota year you must provide evidence to prove that you have imported at least 25 tonnes of rice during:

- The 12-month period ending two months before the first application can be submitted for the 2021 quota year (1 November 2019 to 31 October 2020); and
- The 12-month period immediately before that (1 November 2018 to 31 October 2019).

HMRC agents or representatives cannot apply for import licences under these quota arrangements.

Note: For details of the full procedures on providing proof of trade and applying for licences, please refer to [Notice to Traders 44/20](#). If this notice is not available on the gov.uk website, you can obtain a copy by sending an email request to trader@rpa.gov.uk

Applications

Your quota application must be received during the first 5 days of February 2021. It is your responsibility to ensure that your application, all additional documentation and your security are correct at the time of submission and they are received by the RPA before 17:00 on the 5 February 2021.

Note: We will reject any applications where the securities and / or proof of trade are received after 17:00 (UK time) on Friday 5 February 2021.

You must submit your licence applications using an AGRIM import licence application form. We advise you to use the latest version of the [application form](#). You can submit your licence application by either post or email. The email address for licence applications is trader@rpa.gov.uk

Your application must not exceed the quantity available in each sub-period for the country of origin of product in which you are applying.

You must not lodge more than one import quota licence application for the same order number in a sub-period, unless it is accompanied by an export licence or certificate.

Note: If you lodge more than one application for the same order number, all your applications will be rejected.

Any unused quota will be carried forward to the next application period in March.

Security

You must lodge security with each licence application. The following amounts must be provided:

- £40 per tonne for applications under CN codes 1006 30;
- £30 per tonne for applications under CN codes 1006 20;
- £5 per tonne for applications under CN codes 1006 4000.

You can find further information on how to lodge your security by searching for [Licence securities for the import/export of agricultural products' on GOV.UK](#)

Issuing Licences

As soon as the application period has closed, we will collate details of all valid quota applications we received and calculate the reduction coefficient applicable to each order number. Details of these reduction coefficients will be published on the gov.uk website. Licences will be issued electronically towards the end of February for use from 1 March 2021.

Your licence will have a 5% upward tolerance. However, the reduction in duty will only be valid for the quantities shown in sections 17 and 18 of your licence.

As licences will only be valid for imports into the UK, your licence will be issued electronically. We no longer issue paper import licences.

Import licences will be valid from 1 March until the end of the 2021 quota period (31 December 2021). Where an electronic licence is issued an email can be sent to inform you of its issue. To receive this email notification, you must have already completed the appropriate sections of the [il3 form](#).

Using Licences

When making your import entry to HMRC, you must state whether your rice is in packages of:

- 5 kg or less; or
- Over 5 kg.

Authority

You can find details of the arrangements in Statutory Instrument 2020 No 1432. You can obtain copies from Stationery Office bookshops and accredited agents, or order from the [Stationery Office](#) website.

You can also access Statutory Instruments electronically by visiting the UK's [Legislation website](#). The RPA is not responsible for the accuracy or completeness of the Legislation website. Whilst every care has been taken in producing this guidance, the Statutory Instrument as published is definitive.

Questions

If you have any questions about this notice, please contact the Import Licensing section as follows:

- Our telephone helpline number – 03300 416 500 (Option 2)
- E-mail contact – trader@rpa.gov.uk
- Our postal address is:

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Rural Payments Agency
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Newcastle Business Park
Newcastle Upon Tyne
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Annex 1

Annual Quota and Sub-periods from 2021

Semi-milled or wholly milled rice under CN Code 1006 30 imported at zero duty as follows:

| Country of Origin | Order Number | Feb (kg) | Apr (kg) | Jul (kg) | Oct (kg) |
|-------------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| United States | 05.4127 | 5,292,140 | 5,367,500 | 5,367,500 | 5,367,500 |
| Thailand | 05.4128 | 931,750 | 931,750 | 931,750 | 931,750 |
| Australia | 05.4129 | 799,000 | -- | -- | -- |
| Total | | 7,023,090 | 6,299,250 | 6,299,250 | 6,299,250 |

Quota quantities not allocated in February will be carried over to subsequent months.

Licences are valid from 1 March until the end of the quota period (31 December 2021).

For this quota (CN Code 1006 30):

- You must lodge security of £40 per tonne.
- Where export licences are provided, box 8 of your application must show the country of origin of the product and you must select this as 'Yes'. Licences will carry an obligation to import from the country stated.
- Box 20 of your application must contain:
'Order Number 05.41**'
- Box 24 (comments box) of your application must contain:
'Exemption from customs duty up to the quantity indicated in boxes 17 and 18 of this licence (Statutory Instrument 2020/1432).
- Applications from Thailand, Australia and the United States must be accompanied by an original copy of an export licence.
- To clear your goods under the quantities from Other Countries you must present a certificate of origin to H M Revenue & Customs

Husked rice under CN Code 1006 20 imported at an ad valorem duty rate fixed at 15% as follows:

| Country of Origin | Order number | Jan |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| All Countries | 05.4148 | 218,000 kg |
| Total | | 218,000 kg |

Quota quantities not allocated in the February sub-period will be carried over to subsequent months.

Licences are valid from 1 March until the end of the quota period (31 December 2021).

For this quota (CN Code 1006 20):

- You must lodge security of £30 tonne.
- Box 20 of your application must contain:
'Order Number 05.4148'.
- Box 24 (comments box) of your application must contain:
'Customs duties limited to 15% ad valorem up to the quantity indicated in boxes 17 and 18 of this licence (Statutory Instrument 2020/1432)'.

Broken rice under CN Code 1006 4000 imported with a reduced rate of duty as follows:

| Country of Origin | Order number | Jan |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Thailand | 05.4149 | 3,271,000 kg |
| Australia | 05.4150 | 1,007,000 kg |
| Guyana | 05.4152 | 692,000 kg |
| United States | 05.4153 | 566,000 kg |
| Total | | 5,536,000 kg |

Quota quantities not allocated in the February sub-period will be carried over to subsequent months.

Licences are valid from 1 March until the end of the quota period (31 December 2021).

For this quota (CN Code 1006 4000):

- You must lodge security of £5 tonne.
- For Thailand, Australia, Guyana or the United States, box 8 of your application must state the country of origin of the product and you must select this as 'Yes'. Licences will carry an obligation to import from the exact country stated.
- Box 20 of your application must contain:
'Order Number 05.41**'
- Box 24 (comments box) of your application must contain:
'Reduced rate of duty up to the quantity indicated in boxes 17 and 18 of this licence (Statutory Instrument 2020/1432).
- To clear your goods under the quantities from Thailand, Australia, Guyana and Other Countries you must present a certificate of origin to H M Revenue & Customs.

Semi-milled or wholly milled rice under CN Code 1006 30 imported at zero duty as follows:

| Country of Origin | Order number | Jan |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| United States | 05.4116 | 1,248,000 kg |
| Total | | 1,248,000 kg |

Quota quantities not allocated in the February sub-period will be carried over to subsequent months.

Licences are valid from 1 March until the end of the quota period (31 December 2021).

For this quota (CN Code 1006 30):

- You must lodge security of £40 tonne.
- Box 8 of your application must state the country of origin of the product and you must select this as 'Yes'. Licences will carry an obligation to import from the country stated.
- Box 20 of your application must contain:
'Order Number 05.4116'
- Box 24 of your application must contain:
'Exemption from Customs duty up to the quantity indicated in boxes 17 and 18 of this licence (Statutory Instrument 2020/1432)'.
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- To clear your goods under the quantities from Thailand, USA, India, Pakistan and Other Countries you must present a certificate of origin to HM Revenue and Customs.

Husked rice under CN Code 1006 10 and 1006 20

| Country of Origin | Order number | Jan |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Vietnam | 05.4729 | 3,356,000 kg |

Quota quantities not allocated in the February sub-period will be carried over to subsequent months.

Licences are valid from 1 March until the end of the quota period (31 December 2021).

Valid CN codes are:

10061030, 10061050, 10061071, 10061079;

10062011, 10062013, 10062015, 10062017, 10062092, 10062094, 10062096, 10062098.

Successful licence applications are valid from the start of the month following the month of application until 31 December.

For this quota:

- You must lodge security of £25.00 per tonne.
- Box 8 of your application must state the country of origin of the product and you must select this as 'Yes'. Licences will carry an obligation to import from the country stated.
- Box 20 of your application must contain:
'Order Number 05.4729'.
- Box 24 (comments box) of your application must contain:
'Exemption from Customs duty up to the quantity indicated in boxes 17 and 18 of this licence (Statutory Instrument 2020/1657)'.
- To clear your goods, you must present a certificate of origin to H M Revenue and Customs.

Milled rice under CN Code 1006 30

| Country of Origin | Order number | Jan |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Vietnam | 05.4730 | 4,631,000 kg |

Quota quantities not allocated in the February sub-period will be carried over to subsequent months.

Licences are valid from 1 March until the end of the quota period (31 December 2021).

Valid CN codes are:

10063021, 10063023, 10063025, 10063027, 10063042, 10063044, 10063046, 10063048, 10063061, 10063063, 10063065, 10063067, 10063092, 10063094, 10063096, 10063098.

Successful licence applications are valid from the start of the month following the month of application until 31 December.

For this quota:

- You must lodge security of £25.00 per tonne.
- Box 8 of your application must state the country of origin of the product and you must select this as 'Yes'. Licences will carry an obligation to import from the country stated.
- Box 20 of your application must contain:
'Order Number 05.4730'.
- Box 24 (comments box) of your application must contain:
'Exemption from Customs duty up to the quantity indicated in boxes 17 and 18 of this licence (Statutory Instrument 2020/1657)'.
- To clear your goods, you must present a certificate of origin to H M Revenue and Customs.

Fragrant rice under CN Code ex1006 10, 1006 20 and 1006 30

| Country of Origin | Order number | Jan |
|--------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Vietnam | 05.4731 | 3,201,000 |

Quota quantities not allocated in the February sub-period will be carried over to subsequent months.

Licences are valid from 1 March until the end of the quota period (31 December 2021).

Valid CN codes are:

10061030, 10061050, 10061071, 10061079;

10062011, 10062013, 10062015, 10062017, 10062092, 10062094, 10062096, 10062098;

10063021, 10063023, 10063025, 10063027, 10063042, 10063044, 10063046, 10063048, 10063061, 10063063, 10063065, 10063067, 10063092, 10063094, 10063096, 10063098.

Varieties of fragrant rice originating in Vietnam

Jasmine 85, ST 5, ST 20;

Nang Hoa 9 (NàngHoa 9), VD 20;

RVT, OM 4900, OM 5451;

Tai nguyen Cho Dao (Tàinguyên Cho Đào)

Successful licence applications are valid from the start of the month following the month of application until 31 December.

For this quota:

- You must lodge security of £25.00 per tonne.
- Box 8 of your application must state the country of origin of the product and you must select this as 'Yes'. Licences will carry an obligation to import from the country stated.
- Box 20 of your application must contain:
'Order Number 05.4731'.
- Box 24 (comments box) of your application must contain:

'Exemption from Customs duty up to the quantity indicated in boxes 17 and 18 of this licence (Statutory Instrument 2020/1657)'.

- To clear your goods, you must present a Certificate of Authenticity (issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of Viet Nam) to HMRC.

Annex 2

Checklist for your reference prior to submission of a rice quota import licence application

Presenting a correct application will assist us in processing your quota import licence.

Before submitting your application, check that the following details are correct:

- Is the quota order number correct for the commodity code and country, which you have applied for?
- Check the rate of security used is correct, i.e. £40, £30 or £5 per tonne.
- Does the security amount calculated cover the quantity applied for?
- Is it the correct description against the required commodity (CN) code?
- Has your proof of trade and a valid VAT certificate been supplied / submitted for the current quota year?
- Is the form signed and dated by an authorised individual?

If you are not sure of any details, the following will provide further information:

- **Annex 1 of this Notice to Traders.**
- **Import Licensing team contact details are given in this Notice to Traders**