

SECTION XIV

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CHAPTER 71

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Notes

1. Subject to note 1(a) to section VI and except as provided below, all articles consisting wholly or partly:
 - (a) Of natural or cultured pearls or of precious or semiprecious stones (natural, synthetic or reconstructed), or
 - (b) Of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal,
 are to be classified in this chapter.
2. (a) Headings 7113, 7114 and 7115 do not cover articles in which precious metal or metal clad with precious metal is present as minor constituents only, such as minor fittings or minor ornamentation (for example, monograms, ferrules and rims), and paragraph (b) of the foregoing note does not apply to such articles.
 - (b) Heading 7116 does not cover articles containing precious metal or metal clad with precious metal (other than as minor constituents).
3. This chapter does not cover:
 - (a) Amalgams of precious metal or colloidal precious metal (heading 2843);
 - (b) Sterile surgical suture materials, dental fillings or other goods of chapter 30;
 - (c) Goods of chapter 32 (for example, lustres);
 - (d) Handbags or other articles of heading 4202 or articles of heading 4203;
 - (e) Articles of heading 4303 or 4304;
 - (f) Goods of section XI (textiles and textile articles);
 - (g) Footwear, headgear or other articles of chapter 64 or 65;
 - (h) Umbrellas, walking-sticks or other articles of chapter 66;
 - (ij) Abrasive goods of heading 6804 or 6805 or chapter 82, containing dust or powder of precious or semiprecious stones (natural or synthetic); articles of chapter 82 with a working part of precious or semiprecious stones (natural, synthetic or reconstructed); machinery, mechanical appliances or electrical goods, or parts thereof, of section XVI. However, articles and parts thereof, wholly of precious or semiprecious stones (natural, synthetic or reconstructed) remain classified in this chapter, except unmounted worked sapphires and diamonds for styli (heading 8522);
 - (k) Articles of chapter 90, 91 or 92 (scientific instruments, clocks and watches, musical instruments);
 - (l) Arms or parts thereof (chapter 93);
 - (m) Articles covered by note 2 to chapter 95;
 - (n) Articles classified in chapter 96 by virtue of note 4 to that chapter; or
 - (o) Original sculptures or statuary (heading 9703), collectors' pieces (heading 9705) or antiques of an age exceeding one hundred years (heading 9706), other than natural or cultured pearls or precious or semiprecious stones.
4. (a) The expression "precious metal" means silver, gold and platinum.
 - (b) The expression "platinum" means platinum, iridium, osmium, palladium, rhodium and ruthenium.
 - (c) The expression "precious or semiprecious stones" does not include any of the substances specified in note 2(b) to chapter 96.

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5. For the purposes of this chapter, any alloy (including a sintered mixture and an inter-metallic compound) containing precious metal is to be treated as an alloy of precious metal if any one precious metal constitutes as much as 2 percent, by weight, of the alloy. Alloys of precious metal are to be classified according to the following rules:
 - (a) An alloy containing 2 percent or more, by weight, of platinum is to be treated as an alloy of platinum;
 - (b) An alloy containing 2 percent or more, by weight, of gold but no platinum, or less than 2 percent, by weight, of platinum, is to be treated as an alloy of gold;
 - (c) Other alloys containing 2 percent or more, by weight, of silver are to be treated as alloys of silver.
6. Except where the context otherwise requires, any reference in the tariff schedule to precious metal or to any particular precious metal includes a reference to alloys treated as alloys of precious metal or of the particular metal in accordance with the rules in note 5 above, but not to metal clad with precious metal or to base metal or non-metals plated with precious metal.
7. Throughout the tariff schedule the expression "metal clad with precious metal" means material made with a base of metal upon one or more surfaces of which there is affixed by soldering, brazing, welding, hot-rolling or similar mechanical means a covering of precious metal. Except where the context otherwise requires, the expression also covers base metal inlaid with precious metal.
8. For the purposes of heading 7113, the expression "articles of jewelry" means:
 - (a) Any small objects of personal adornment (gem-set or not) (for example, rings, bracelets, necklaces, brooches, earrings, watch chains, fobs, pendants, tie pins, cuff links, dress studs, religious or other medals and insignia); and
 - (b) Articles of personal use of a kind normally carried in the pocket, in the handbag or on the person (such as cigarette cases, powder boxes, chain purses or pill boxes).
9. For the purposes of heading 7114, the expression "articles of goldsmiths' or silversmiths' wares" includes such articles as ornaments, tableware, toilet-ware, smokers' articles and other articles of household, office or religious use.
10. For the purposes of heading 7117, the expression "imitation jewelry" means articles of jewelry within the meaning of paragraph (a) of note 8 above (but not including buttons or other articles of heading 9606, or dress combs, hair slides or the like, or hairpins, of heading 9615), not incorporating natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones (natural, synthetic or reconstructed) nor (except as plating or as minor constituents) precious metal or metal clad with precious metal.

Subheading Notes

1. For the purposes of subheadings 7106.10, 7108.11, 7110.11, 7110.21, 7110.31 and 7110.41, the expressions "powder" and "in powder form" mean products of which 90 percent or more by weight passes through a sieve having a mesh aperture of 0.5 mm.
2. Notwithstanding the provisions of note 4(b), for the purposes of subheadings 7110.11 and 7110.19, the expression "platinum" does not include iridium, osmium, palladium, rhodium or ruthenium.
3. For the classification of alloys in the subheadings of heading 7110, each alloy is to be classified with that metal, platinum, palladium, rhodium, iridium, osmium or ruthenium, which predominates by weight over each other of these metals.

Additional U.S. Notes

1. For the purposes of subchapter II, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - (a) The term "unwrought" refers to metals, whether or not refined, in the form of ingots, blocks, lumps, billets, cakes, slabs, pigs, cathodes, anodes, briquettes, cubes, sticks, grains, sponge, pellets, shot and similar manufactured primary forms, but does not cover rolled, forged, drawn or extruded products, tubular products or cast or sintered forms which have been machined or processed otherwise than by simple trimming, scalping or descaling;
 - (b) The term "semimanufactured" refers to wrought metal products in the form of bars, rods, sections, plates, sheets, strips, wire, tubes, pipes and hollow bars, and to powder (other than primary metals in powder form);
 - (c) The term "waste and scrap" refers to materials and articles of metals which are second-hand or waste or refuse, or are obsolete, defective or damaged, and which are fit only for the recovery of the metal content or for use in the manufacture of chemicals, and does not include metals in unwrought form or metal-bearing materials provided for in heading 2616.
2. Coin provided for in heading 7118 which is currently in circulation in any country and is imported for monetary purposes shall be admitted without formal customs consumption entry or the payment of duty. This does not affect any requirements under other provisions of law to the effect that transfers of coin into or through the United States, in an amount exceeding \$10,000 on any one occasion, shall be reported as described therein.

I. NATURAL OR CULTURED PEARLS AND PRECIOUS OR SEMIPRECIOUS STONES

7101		Pearls, natural or cultured, whether or not worked or graded but not strung, mounted or set; ungraded pearls, natural or cultured, temporarily strung for convenience of transport:				
7101.10.00	00	Natural pearls.....	X.....	Free		10%
		Cultured pearls:				
7101.21.00	00	Unworked.....	X.....	2.1%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J)	10%
7101.22.00	00	Worked.....	X.....	2.1%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J)	10%
7102		Diamonds, whether or not worked, but not mounted or set:				
7102.10.00	00	Unsorted.....	carat...	Free		Free
		Industrial:				
7102.21		Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted:				
7102.21.10		Miners' diamonds.....	.....	Free		Free
	10	Carbonados.....	carat			
	20	Other.....	carat			
		Other:				
7102.21.30	00	Simply sawn, cleaved or bruted.....	carat...	4.9%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J)	30%
7102.21.40	00	Other.....	carat...	Free		Free
7102.29.00		Other.....	.....	Free		Free
		Miners' diamonds:				
	10	Carbonados.....	carat			
	20	Other.....	carat			
	50	Other.....	carat			
		Nonindustrial:				
7102.31.00	00	Unworked or simply sawn, cleaved or bruted.....	carat...	Free		Free
7102.39.00		Other.....	.....	Free		10%
	10	Weighing not over 0.5 carat each....	carat			
	50	Weighing over 0.5 carat each.....	carat			
7103		Precious stones (other than diamonds) and semi-precious stones, whether or not worked or graded but not strung, mounted or set; ungraded precious stones (other than diamonds) and semi-precious stones, temporarily strung for convenience of transport:				
		Unworked or simply sawn or roughly shaped:				
7103.10		Unworked.....	carat...	Free		Free
7103.10.20	00	Other.....	carat...	21%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J)	50%
7103.10.40	00	Otherwise worked:				
7103.91.00		Rubies, sapphires and emeralds.....	.....	Free		10%
	10	Rubies.....	carat			
	20	Sapphires.....	carat			
	30	Emeralds.....	carat			
		Other:				
7103.99		Cut but not set, and suitable for use in the manufacture of jewelry...	X.....	2.1%	Free (A*,CA,E,IL,J)	10%
7103.99.10	00					
7103.99.50	00	Other.....	X.....	21%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J)	50%

7104		Synthetic or reconstructed precious or semi-precious stones, whether or not worked or graded but not strung, mounted or set; ungraded synthetic or reconstructed precious or semi-precious stones, temporarily strung for convenience of transport:				
7104.10.00	00	Piezo-electric quartz.....	kg.....	6%	Free (A, CA, E, IL, J)	50%
7104.20.00	00	Other, unworked or simply sawn or roughly shaped.....	X.....	6%	Free (CA, E, IL, J)	30%
7104.90		Other:				
7104.90.10	00	Cut but not set, and suitable for use in the manufacture of jewelry.....	No.....	3.1%	Free (A, CA, E, IL, J)	10%
7104.90.50	00	Other.....	X.....	12.8%	Free (A, CA, E, IL, J)	50%
7105		Dust and powder of natural or synthetic precious or semiprecious stones:				
7105.10.00		Of diamonds.....		Free		Free
		Natural:				
	11	80 mesh or finer.....	carat			
	15	Other.....	carat			
		Synthetic:				
	20	Coated with metal.....	carat			
		Other:				
	30	80 mesh or finer.....	carat			
	50	Other.....	carat			
7105.90.00	00	Other.....	kg.....	0.7¢/kg	Free (A, CA, E, IL, J)	2.2¢/kg
II. PRECIOUS METALS AND METALS CLAD WITH PRECIOUS METAL						
7106		Silver (including silver plated with gold or platinum), unwrought or in semimanufactured forms, or in powder form:				
7106.10.00	00	Powder.....	g.....	Free		Free
		Other:				
		Unwrought:				
7106.91		Bullion and dore.....		Free		Free
7106.91.10		Bullion.....silver content..	g			
	10	Dore.....silver content..	g			
	20	Other.....	g.....	6%	Free (A, CA, E, IL, J)	65%
7106.91.50	00	Semimanufactured.....	g.....	6%	Free (A, CA, E, IL, J)	65%
7107.00.00	00	Base metals clad with silver, not further worked than semimanufactured.....	g.....	6.5%	Free (A, CA, E, IL, J)	30%

7108		Gold (including gold plated with platinum) unwrought or in semimanufactured forms, or in powder form:			
		Nonmonetary:			
7108.11.00	00	Powder.....	g.....	Free	Free
7108.12		Other unwrought forms:			
7108.12.10		Bullion and dore.....	.....	Free	Free
		Bullion:			
	13	Containing by weight not less than 99.95 percent of gold	gold content.. g		
	17	Other.....	gold content.. g		
	20	Dore.....	gold content.. g		
7108.12.50		Other.....	.....	8.2%	Free (CA,E,IL,J) 65%
	10	Containing by weight not less than 99.95 percent of gold	gold content.. g		
	50	Other.....	gold content.. g		
7108.13		Other semimanufactured forms:			
7108.13.10	00	Gold leaf.....	cm ²	3.1%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 8%
			gold content.. g		
7108.13.50	00	Other.....	.....	8.2%	Free (CA,E,IL,J) 65%
7108.20.00	00	Monetary.....	.....	Free	Free
7109.00.00	00	Base metals or silver, clad with gold, not further worked than semimanufactured.....	g.....	20%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 65%
7110		Platinum, unwrought or in semimanufactured forms, or in powder form:			
		Platinum:			
7110.11.00		Unwrought or in powder form.....	.....	Free	Free
	10	Grain and nuggets of the metal platinum.....	platinum content.. g		
	20	Sponge of the metal platinum.....	platinum content.. g		
	50	Other.....	platinum content.. g		
7110.19.00	00	Other.....	platinum content.. g.....	Free	Free
		Palladium:			
7110.21.00	00	Unwrought or in powder form.....	palladium content.. g.....	Free	Free
7110.29.00	00	Other.....	palladium content.. g.....	Free	Free
		Rhodium:			
7110.31.00	00	Unwrought or in powder form.....	rhodium content.. g.....	Free	Free
7110.39.00	00	Other.....	rhodium content.. g.....	Free	Free
		Iridium, osmium and ruthenium:			
7110.41.00		Unwrought or in powder form.....	.....	Free	Free
		Separately:			
	10	Iridium.....	iridium content.. g		
	20	Osmium.....	osmium content.. g		
	30	Ruthenium.....	ruthenium content.. g		
	50	Other.....	.....	
7110.49.00		Other.....	.....	Free	Free
	10	Iridium separately	iridium content.. g		
	50	Other.....	.....	
7111.00.00	00	Base metals, silver or gold, clad with platinum, not further worked than semimanufactured.....	g.....	20%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 65%

7112		Waste and scrap of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal:						
7112.10.00	00	Of gold, including metal clad with gold but excluding sweepings containing other precious metals.....	g.....	Free			Free	
7112.20.00	00	Of platinum, including metal clad with platinum but excluding sweepings containing other precious metals.....	g.....	Free			Free	
7112.90.00	00	Other.....	g.....	Free			Free	
III. JEWELRY, GOLDSMITHS' AND SILVERSMITHS' WARES AND OTHER ARTICLES								
7113		Articles of jewelry and parts thereof, of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal:						
		Of precious metal whether or not plated or clad with precious metal:						
7113.11		Of silver, whether or not plated or clad with other precious metal:						
7113.11.10	00	Rope, curb, cable, chain and similar articles produced in continuous lengths, all the foregoing, whether or not cut to specific lengths and whether or not set with imitation pearls or imitation gemstones, suitable for use in the manufacture of articles provided for in this heading.....	X.....	7%		Free (A,CA,E,J)	80%	
		Other:						
7113.11.20	00	Valued not over \$18 per dozen pieces or parts.....	X.....	27.5%		Free (A*,CA,E,IL,J)	110%	
7113.11.50	00	Other.....	X.....	6.5%		Free (A*,CA,E,IL,J)	80%	
7113.19		Of other precious metal, whether or not plated or clad with precious metal:						
7113.19.10	00	Rope, curb, cable, chain and similar articles produced in continuous lengths, all the foregoing, whether or not cut to specific lengths and whether or not set with imitation pearls or imitation gemstones, suitable for use in the manufacture of articles provided for in this heading.....	X.....	7%		Free (A,CA,E,J)	80%	
		Other:						
		Necklaces and neck chains, of gold:						
7113.19.21	00	Rope.....	X.....	6.5%		Free (A,CA,E,J)	80%	
7113.19.25	00	Mixed link.....	X.....	6.5%		Free (A,CA,E,J)	80%	
7113.19.29	00	Other.....	X.....	6.5%		Free (A,CA,E,J)	80%	
7113.19.30	00	Clasps and parts thereof.....	X.....	6.5%		Free (A,CA,E,IL,J)	80%	
7113.19.50	00	Other.....	X.....	6.5%		Free (A*,CA,E,IL,J)	80%	
7113.20		Of base metal clad with precious metal:						
7113.20.10	00	Rope, curb, cable, chain and similar articles produced in continuous lengths, all the foregoing, whether or not cut to specific lengths and whether or not set with imitation pearls or imitation gemstones, suitable for use in the manufacture of articles provided for in this heading.....	X.....	7%		Free (A,CA,E,J)	80%	

7113 (con.)		Articles of jewelry and parts thereof, of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal (con.):					
7113.20 (con.)		Of base metal clad with precious metal (con.):					
		Other:					
		Necklaces and neck chains, clad with gold:					
7113.20.21	00	Rope.....	X.....	6.5%	Free	(A,CA,E,J)	80%
7113.20.25	00	Mixed link.....	X.....	6.5%	Free	(A,CA,E,J)	80%
7113.20.29	00	Other.....	X.....	6.5%	Free	(A,CA,E,J)	80%
7113.20.30	00	Clasps and parts thereof.....	X.....	6.5%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	80%
7113.20.50	00	Other.....	X.....	6.5%	Free	(A*,CA,E,IL,J)	80%
7114		Articles of goldsmiths' or silversmiths' wares and parts thereof, of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal:					
		Of precious metal whether or not plated or clad with precious metal:					
7114.11		Of silver, whether or not plated or clad with other precious metal:					
7114.11.10	00	Knives with silver handles.....	No.....	5.5%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	16¢ each + 45%
7114.11.20	00	Forks with silver handles.....	No.....	5.4%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	16¢ each + 45%
		Spoons and ladles:					
7114.11.30	00	With sterling silver handles...	No.....	6.6%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	65%
7114.11.40	00	Other.....	No.....	4.4%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	65%
7114.11.45	00	Sets of the foregoing which include two or more knives, forks, spoons or ladles.....	pcs.....	6%	Free	(CA,E,IL,J)	65%
		Articles not elsewhere specified or included of a type used for household, table or kitchen use; toilet and sanitary wares; all the foregoing and parts thereof, of silver:					
7114.11.50	00	Sterling silver tableware.....	X.....	6.6%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	65%
7114.11.60	00	Other.....	X.....	6%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	65%
7114.11.70	00	Other.....	X.....	6%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	65%
7114.19.00	00	Of other precious metal whether or not plated or clad with precious metal...	X.....	7.9%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	65%
7114.20.00	40	Of base metal clad with precious metal.....		6%	Free	(A,CA,E,IL,J)	65%
		Articles not elsewhere specified or included, of a type used for household, table or kitchen use; toilet or sanitary ware.....	X				
	60	Other.....	X				

7115		Other articles of precious metal or of metal clad with precious metal:			
7115.10.00	00	Catalysts in the form of wire cloth or grill, of platinum.....	X.....	8%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 65%
7115.90		Other:			
7115.90.10	00	Of gold, including metal clad with gold.....	X.....	7.8%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 110%
7115.90.20	00	Of silver, including metal clad with silver.....	X.....	6%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 65%
7115.90.50	00	Other.....	X.....	8%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 65%
7116		Articles of natural or cultured pearls, precious or semiprecious stones (natural, synthetic or reconstructed):			
7116.10		Of natural or cultured pearls:			
7116.10.10	00	Natural.....	X.....	6.5%	Free (A*,CA,E,IL,J) 80%
		Cultured:			
7116.10.15	00	Graded pearls strung temporarily for convenience of transport.....	X.....	2.1%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 10%
7116.10.20	00	Other.....	X.....	11%	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 110%
7116.20		Of precious or semiprecious stones (natural, synthetic or reconstructed):			
7116.20.10	00	Articles of jewelry.....	X.....	6.5%	Free (A*,CA,E,IL,J) 80%
		Other:			
7116.20.20	00	Of semiprecious stones (except rock crystal).....	X.....	21% <u>1/</u>	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 50%
7116.20.50	00	Other.....	X.....	6.7% <u>2/</u>	Free (A,CA,E,IL,J) 50%

1/ See heading 9902.71.16.
2/ See heading 9902.71.04.

7117		Imitation jewelry: Of base metal, whether or not plated with precious metal:					
7117.11.00	00	Cuff links and studs.....	X.....	11%	Free (A,E,IL,J) 5.5% (CA)		110%
7117.19		Other:					
		Rope, curb, cable, chain and similar articles produced in con- tinuous lengths, all the foregoing, whether or not cut to specific lengths and whether or not set with imitation pearls or imitation gemstones, suitable for use in the manufacture of articles provided for in this heading:					
7117.19.10	00	Valued not over 33 cents per meter.....	X.....	8% <u>1/</u>	Free (A,E,IL,J) 4% (CA)		80%
7117.19.20	00	Valued over 33 cents per meter.....	X.....	11%	Free (A,E,IL,J) 5.5% (CA)		110%
7117.19.30	00	Religious articles of a purely devotional character designed to be worn on apparel or carried on or about or attached to the person.....	X.....	5.8%	Free (A,E,IL,J) 2.9% (CA)		45%
7117.19.50	00	Other.....	X.....	11% <u>1/</u>	Free (A,E,IL,J) 5.5% (CA)		110%
7117.90		Other:					
7117.90.10	00	Necklaces, valued not over 30 cents per dozen, composed wholly of plastic shapes mounted on fiber string.....	doz.....	Free			Free
		Religious articles of a purely devotional character designed to be worn on apparel or carried on or about or attached to the person:					
7117.90.20	00	Rosaries and chaplets.....	X.....	4.9%	Free (A,E,IL,J) 2.4% (CA)		50%
7117.90.30	00	Other.....	X.....	5.8%	Free (A,E,IL,J) 2.9% (CA)		45%
7117.90.40	00	Other:					
		Valued not over 20 cents per dozen pieces or parts.....	X.....	7.2% <u>1/</u>	Free (A,E,IL,J) 3.6% (CA)		45%
7117.90.50	00	Valued over 20 cents per dozen pieces or parts.....	X.....	11% <u>1/</u>	Free (A,E,IL,J) 5.5% (CA)		110%
7118		Coin:					
7118.10.00	00	Coin (other than gold coin), not being legal tender.....	X.....	Free			Free
7118.90.00		Other.....		Free			Free
		Gold:					
11		Canadian maple leaf.....	g				
		gold content..	g				
19		Other.....	g				
		gold content..	g				
20		Platinum.....	g				
		platinum content..	g				
55		Other.....	X				

1/ See heading 9902.71.13.