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# **ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2026/079**

## **Hot Rolled Coil Steel**

### **Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China**

#### **Initiation of Exemption Inquiry No 107**

*Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975*

I, David Latina, Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission, have initiated an exemption inquiry in relation to certain goods the subject of anti-dumping measures applying to hot rolled coil steel exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China).

The exemption category being sought is under sections 8(7) and 10(8) of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975* (Dumping Duty Act). Under these provisions the Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science (the Minister), Tim Ayres, may exempt goods from dumping and countervailing duties where satisfied:

'that like or directly competitive goods are not offered for sale in Australia to all purchasers on equal terms under like conditions having regard to the custom and usage of trade.'

#### **The Anti-Dumping Measures**

Anti-dumping measures, in the form of a dumping duty notice and countervailing duty notice, were initially imposed on hot rolled coil steel by public notice on 4 May 2026 by the Minister following consideration of the *Anti-Dumping Commission Report No. 658* (REP 658). These measures are applicable to all exporters from China.

#### **The Exemption Goods**

The goods the subject of the exemption inquiry are hot rolled coil and sheet in the following widths and thicknesses (the "exemption goods"):

- thicknesses ranging from 1.5 mm to 2.95 mm (where local production starts at 3 mm)
- widths ranging from 1580 mm to 2000 mm (where local production is limited to up to 1550 mm).

The exemption goods are classified to the following tariff subheadings in Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*. Note when reading this table that understanding the scope of products described as ‘Other’ may require reading tariff or statistical codes not included in this table. For more information, see Schedule 3 of the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*, also available on the Australian Border Force website.<sup>1</sup>

Tariff classification			
Tariff code	Statistical code	Unit	Description
<b>7208</b>	<b>Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of 600 mm or more, hot-rolled, not clad, plated or coated:</b>		
7208.10.00	31	T	- In coils, not further worked than hot-rolled, with patterns in relief
7208.2	- Other, in coils, not further worked than hot-rolled, pickled:		
7208.25.00	32	T	-- Of a thickness of 4.75 mm or more
7208.26.00	33	T	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm
7208.27.00	34	T	-- Of a thickness of less than 3 mm
7208.3	- Other, in coils, not further worked than hot-rolled:		
7208.36.00	35	T	-- Of a thickness exceeding 10 mm
7208.37.00	36	T	-- Of a thickness of 4.75 mm or more but not exceeding 10 mm
7208.38.00	37	T	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm
7208.39.00	38	T	-- Of a thickness of less than 3 mm
7208.40.00	39	T	- Not in coils, not further worked than hot-rolled, with patterns in relief
7208.5	- Other, not in coils, not further worked than hot-rolled:		
7208.53.00	42	T	-- Of a thickness of 3 mm or more but less than 4.75 mm
7208.54.00	43	T	-- Of a thickness of less than 3 mm
7208.90.00	30	T	- Other
<b>7211</b>	<b>Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel, of a width of less than 600 mm, not clad, plated or coated:</b>		
7211.1	- Not further worked than hot-rolled:		
7211.14.00	40	T	-- Other, of a thickness of 4.75 mm or more
7211.19.00	41	T	-- Other
<b>7225</b>	<b>Flat-rolled products of other alloy steel, of a width of 600 mm or more:</b>		
7225.30.00	17	T	- Other, not further worked than hot-rolled, in coils
7225.40.00	- Other, not further worked than hot-rolled, not in coils		
	22	T	<i>High alloy: Other</i>
	24	T	<i>Other: Other</i>
<b>7226</b>	<b>Flat-rolled products of other alloy steel, of a width of less than 600 mm:</b>		
7226.9	Other		
7226.91.00	67	T	-- Not further worked than hot-rolled

**Table 1: General tariff classification for the goods**

The exemption inquiry will examine whether the goods the subject of the application satisfy the conditions of sections 8(7) or 10(8) of the Dumping Duty Act.

<sup>1</sup> Australian Border Force, [Current tariff classification](#), ABF website.

## **The Current Inquiry**

This application was made by Baoshan Iron & Steel Co Ltd (Baoshan), Baosteel Zhanjiang Iron & Steel Co Ltd (Zhanjiang), and Shanghai Meishan Iron & Steel Co Ltd (Meishan) (collectively referred to as "Baosteel"). The application was made via submission during investigation 658.<sup>2</sup>

After making inquiries of the Australian industry producing hot rolled coil steel, considering submissions received during investigation 658 and submissions received during this inquiry, I will recommend to the Minister whether the goods should be exempted from the anti-dumping measures.

## **Public Record**

There is no legislative requirement to maintain a public record for exemption inquiries. However, in the interests of transparency, a public record will be maintained. This notice, along with a non-confidential version of the application and any non-confidential submissions that are received, will be published on the public record, available at [www.adcommission.gov.au](http://www.adcommission.gov.au).

## **Lodgment of Submissions**

Interested parties, as defined by section 269T(1) of the Act, are invited to lodge written submissions concerning this inquiry no later than the close of business on 6 July 2026,<sup>3</sup> addressed to:

The Director  
Investigations 4  
Anti-Dumping Commission  
GPO Box 2013  
Canberra ACT 2601

or email [investigations4@adcommission.gov.au](mailto:investigations4@adcommission.gov.au) or +61 3 8539 2499 (outside Australia).

Interested parties wishing to participate in the inquiry must ensure that submissions are lodged promptly.

Interested parties claiming that information contained in their submission is confidential, or that the publication of the information would adversely affect their business or commercial interests, must:

- (i) provide a summary containing sufficient detail to allow a reasonable understanding of the substance of the information that does not breach that confidentiality or adversely affect those interests; or
- (ii) satisfy me that there is no way such a summary can be given to allow a reasonable understanding of the substance of the information.

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<sup>2</sup> Electronic Public Record (EPR) 658, [item 36](#).

<sup>3</sup> As Day 37 (5 July 2026) is a Sunday, the due date is 6 July 2026.

Submissions containing confidential information must be clearly marked "OFFICIAL: Sensitive".

Interested parties must lodge a non-confidential version or a summary of their submission in accordance with the requirement above (clearly marked "PUBLIC RECORD").

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### **Report to the Minister**

At the conclusion of the inquiry, a recommendation to the Minister will be made in a report. There is no legislated timeframe for completing the report to the Minister nor for the Minister to make a decision after receiving the report.

### **Judicial Review Rights**

Review of the Minister's decision may be available by application to the Federal Court of Australia under the *Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Act 1977* (Cth). Applications to the Federal Court of Australia must be made within 28 days of the publication of the Minister's decision and Report No. EX0107.

Further information can be found on the Federal Court of Australia's website: <https://www.fedcourt.gov.au/>.

### **Anti-Dumping Commission contact**

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to the Case Manager via email to [investigations4@adcommission.gov.au](mailto:investigations4@adcommission.gov.au).

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Anti-Dumping Commission

29 May 2026