Australian Government
Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Anti-Dumping Commission

ANTI-DUMPING NOTICE NO. 2026/125

Hot rolled coil steel exported from the People's Republic of China

Findings of Exemption Inquiry No 0107

Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975

I, David Latina, the Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission, have completed exemption inquiry EX0107 in relation to certain goods which are the subject of anti-dumping measures applying to hot rolled coil steel (HRC, or the goods) exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China).

The exemptions were sought pursuant to sections 8(7)(a) and 10(8)(a) of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975* (Dumping Duty Act). Under this provision the Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science (the Minister) may exempt goods from interim dumping and dumping duty, and interim countervailing duty and countervailing duty (collectively, the duties), if 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 the goods by public notices on 4 May 2026 by the Minister following consideration of the *Anti-Dumping Commission Report No. 658* (REP 658).

The dumping duty notice applies to all exporters from China. The countervailing duty notice applies to all exporters from China other than Baoshan Iron & Steel Co Ltd, Baosteel Zhanjiang Iron & Steel Co Ltd, Shanghai Meishan Iron & Steel Co Ltd and Hunan Valin Lianyuan Iron & Steel Co., Ltd.

Since the imposition of the measures, the following exemptions have been granted.

Ministerial Exemption Instrument No 1 of 2026[1]

All goods meeting the description detailed in Attachment 1 of this exemption instrument are exempted from dumping duties and countervailing duties under this instrument effective from 16 January 2026, described as follows:

> *Hot rolled coil steel, in sheet or coil form, alloyed, grade Q690MD, complying with standard GB/T 1591-2008 or later versions, having all of the following:*
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> - *Base metal thickness at or between 3 mm and 4 mm*

[1] Ministerial Exemption Instrument No 1 of 2026

- *Width at or between 1,000 mm and 1,830 mm*
- *Length at or between 6,000 mm and 10,000 mm*
- *Chemical composition, by weight, not greater than:*
    - *0.12% carbon content*
    - *0.4% silicon content*
    - *2.0% manganese content*
    - *0.025% phosphorus content*
    - *0.010% sulphur content*
    - *0.11% niobium content*
    - *0.20% titanium content*
    - *0.12% vanadium content*
- *Chemical composition, by weight, not less than 0.015% acid-soluble aluminium content.*

All goods meeting the description detailed in Attachment 2 of this exemption instrument are exempted from dumping duties and countervailing duties under this instrument effective from 19 January 2026, described as follows:

Hot rolled coil steel, in sheet or coil form, that conforms to all of the following:

- *Steel grade BS700MCK2 or BS700MCK4, complying with standard Q/BQB 316-2018 or later versions*
- *Minimum yield strength at or above 680 MPa.*

For further details regarding the measures applying to the goods, refer to the Dumping Commodity Register available on the Anti-Dumping Commission's (the commission) website, www.adcommission.gov.au.

The goods subject to measures are currently classified to the following tariff subheadings in Schedule 3 to the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*.

Tariff subheading	Statistical codes
7208.10.00	31
7208.25.00	32
7208.26.00	33
7208.27.00	34
7208.36.00	35
7208.37.00	36
7208.38.00	37
7208.39.00	38
7208.40.00	39
7208.53.00	42
7208.54.00	43
7208.90.00	30
7211.14.00	40
7211.19.00	41
7225.30.00	17

Tariff subheading	Statistical codes
7225.40.00	22, 24
7226.91.00	67

The exemption goods

The goods the subject of this exemption inquiry (the exemption goods) are:

> *Hot rolled coil steel, in sheet or coil form, with or without patterns in relief (known as checker plate), whether or not containing alloys, not clad, plated or coated (other than oil coated) and of a width equal to or greater than 1,580 mm.*

The inquiry

An application was jointly lodged by Baoshan Iron & Steel Co Ltd, Baosteel Zhanjiang Iron & Steel Co Ltd and Shanghai Meishan Iron & Steel Co Ltd on 19 January 2026 when *Anti-Dumping Commission Investigation No. 658* was in progress. The application was not resolved in that investigation. I initiated this exemption inquiry on 29 May 2026 to consider this matter.

I made a recommendation to the Minister that they exempt the exemption goods from the duties in accordance with sections 8(7)(a) and 10(8)(a) of the Dumping Duty Act. The reasons for my recommendation are set out in *Anti-Dumping Commission Report No EX0107* (REP EX0107).

The Minister has accepted my recommendation and has exempted the exemption goods the subject of the application from interim dumping and interim countervailing duties through *Ministerial Exemption Instrument No 6 of 2026*. The exemption takes effect from 19 January 2026.

A copy of REP EX0107 and the exemption instrument is available on the commission's website (www.adcommission.gov.au).

Further Information

If importers believe that goods they are importing are exempted from dumping duty in accordance with these exemption instruments, when they or their broker enter these goods for home consumption via the Integrated Cargo System, the exemption category 'GOODS' should be selected and no dumping duties will be applied to the shipment.

Parties seeking a refund of the duties already paid should contact the commission's client support team on 132846 or +61 2 6213 6000 or email: clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au.

The decision to grant the exemptions does not prevent further applications for exemptions from dumping duties being considered. Parties can apply for an exemption where they believe their goods satisfy any of the conditions for exemption detailed in sections 8(7) and 10(8) of the Dumping Duty Act. Further information on the application process can be found at the commission's website at:

http://www.adcommission.gov.au/system/csi/exemption/how-to-apply.asp

The exemption granted as a result of this inquiry may be subject to review and may be revoked by the Minister if circumstances change.

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 this notice and REP 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 commission on 13 28 46 or for international callers on +61 2 6213 6000 or by email at clientsupport@adcommission.gov.au.

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Anti-Dumping Commission

15 September 2026