



Free trade agreement

The free trade agreement between Switzerland and the EU ceased to be applicable in dealings with the United Kingdom (UK) on 1 January 2021. The trade agreement between Switzerland and the UK provides for the existing mutual rights and obligations under the free trade agreement (FTA) between Switzerland and the EU to continue on a bilateral level. The provisions of the Switzerland-EU FTA (including Protocol No 2 on Trade in processed agricultural products) were thus incorporated into a bilateral agreement between Switzerland and the UK. This means that existing preferential customs tariffs continue to apply between the two countries. These include duty-free admission of manufactured products (products of origin in HS sections 25-97, excluding individual products in nomenclature sections 35 and 38) and preferential treatment for processed and unprocessed agricultural goods.

For information relating to Protocol No 3 of the FTA (regarding rules of origin) see information note on Preferential Rules of Origin (Protocol No 3 FTA Switzerland-EU).

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