

Cargo Systems Messaging Service

CSMS # 69252300 - GUIDANCE: Section 232 Copper Smelt and Cast Reporting Requirements

The purpose of this message is to provide guidance on the new requirements for reporting the countries of smelt and cast on imports of certain copper articles per Proclamations 11021.

BACKGROUND

On April 2, 2026, the President issued Proclamation 11021, “[Strengthening Actions Taken to Adjust Imports of Aluminum, Steel, and Copper into the United States](#),” under Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1862). The Proclamation requires that importers shall provide to CBP the information necessary to identify the countries where the copper used in the manufacture of copper article imports covered by this proclamation are smelted and information necessary to identify the countries where such copper article imports are cast. See [91 FR 18201](#) and CSMS [68253075](#).

The functionality for the acceptance of the smelt and cast fields on certain imports of copper articles will be deployed to the certification environment in the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) on July 16, 2026. The functionality in production for the acceptance of the smelt and cast fields on certain imports of copper articles will be available in ACE on July 30, 2026.

COPPER REPORTING OF SMELT AND CAST COUNTRIES

Effective July 30, 2026, imports of certain copper articles from all countries of origin (except the U.S.), shall report the primary country of smelt and country of cast, and may report the secondary country of smelt, on the entry summary line for the following HTSUS classifications: 8544.42.10; 8544.42.20; 8544.42.90; and 8544.49.10.

If the primary country of smelt, secondary country of smelt, and/or country of cast are not known, importers may report “OTH” (other).

Refer to the ACE CATAIR Entry Summary Create/Update V109 for the technical reporting instructions for the new Importer’s Additional Declaration Type Code 12 (Copper Smelt and Cast Country Detail).

The ACE CATAIR Entry Summary Error Dictionary V51 was updated with the following errors related to copper smelt and cast:

- 869 COP PRIM SMELT CNTRY CD MISSING
- 870 COP PRIM SMELT CNTRY CD UNKNOWN CNTRY
- 871 COP SEC SMELT CNTRY CD UNKNOWN CNTRY
- 872 COP RECENT CAST CNTRY CD MISSING
- 873 COP RECENT SMELT CNTRY CD UNKNOWN CNTRY

The updated version of the ACE CATAIR will be posted shortly under Draft Chapters: Future Capabilities tab on [CBP.gov](#).

For any technical questions regarding this update, please contact your assigned Client Representative.

Questions or concerns should be directed to Entry Summary, Accounts & Revenue Division (ESAR) at esar@cbp.dhs.gov.

For questions regarding Section 232 trade remedies, please contact the Trade Remedy Branch mailbox at traderemedy@cbp.dhs.gov.



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