

Customs and International Trade

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As you may have noticed, some changes will become applicable to the Harmonised System (HS) and subsequently to the Swiss Nomenclature (customs tariff) as well as to the EU Combined Nomenclature (CN) as of 1 January 2017. This includes the classification of pharmaceutical products of chapter 30:

Swiss Nomenclature

2016 Nomenclature		2017 Nomenclature	
Code	Description	Code	Description
3002	Human blood; animal blood prepared for therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic uses; antisera, other blood fractions and immunological products, whether or not modified or obtained by means of biotechnological processes; vaccines, toxins, cultures of micro-organisms (excluding yeasts) and similar products:	3002	Human blood; animal blood prepared for therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic uses; antisera, other blood fractions and immunological products, whether or not modified or obtained by means of biotechnological processes; vaccines, toxins, cultures of micro-organisms (excluding yeasts) and similar products:
3002.1000	- Antisera, other blood fractions and immunological products, whether or not modified or obtained by means of biotechnological processes	3002.1	- Antisera, other blood fractions and immunological products, whether or not modified or obtained by means of biotechnological processes
		3002.1100	-- Malaria diagnostic test kits
		3002.1200	-- Antisera and other blood fractions
		3002.1300	-- Immunological products, unmixed, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale
		3002.1400	-- Immunological products, mixed, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale
		3002.1500	-- Immunological products, put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale
		3002.1900	-- Other
3002.2000	- Vaccines for human medicine	3002.2000	- Vaccines for human medicine
3003.3000	- Vaccines for veterinary medicine	3003.3000	- Vaccines for veterinary medicine
3003.9000	- Other	3003.9000	- Other
3003	Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 3002, 3005 or 3006) consisting of two or more constituents which have been mixed together for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale:	3003	Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 3002, 3005 or 3006) consisting of two or more constituents which have been mixed together for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale:
3003.1000	- Containing penicillins or derivatives thereof, with a penicillanic acid structure, or streptomycins or their derivatives	3003.1000	- Containing penicillins or derivatives thereof, with a penicillanic acid structure, or streptomycins or their derivatives
3003.2000	- Containing other antibiotics	3003.2000	- Containing other antibiotics
3003.3	- Containing hormones or other products of heading 2937 but not containing antibiotics:	3003.3	- Other, containing hormones or other products of heading 2937:
3003.3100	-- Containing insulin	3003.3100	-- Containing insulin
3003.3900	-- Other	3003.3900	-- Other
3003.4000	- Containing alkaloids or derivatives thereof but not containing hormones, other products of heading 2937 or antibiotics	3003.4	- Other, containing alkaloids or derivatives thereof:
		3003.4100	-- Containing ephedrine or its salts
		3003.4200	-- Containing pseudoephedrine (INN) or its salts
		3003.4300	-- Containing norephedrine or its salts
		3003.4900	-- Other
		3003.6000	- Other, containing antimalarial active principles described in Subheading Note 2 to this Chapter
3003.9000	- Other	3003.9000	- Other
3004	Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 3002, 3005 or 3006) consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, put up in measured doses (including those in the form of transdermal administration systems) or in forms or packings for retail sale:	3004	Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 3002, 3005 or 3006) consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, put up in measured doses (including those in the form of transdermal administration systems) or in forms or packings for retail sale:
3004.1000	- Containing penicillins or derivatives thereof, with a penicillanic acid structure, or streptomycins or their derivatives	3004.1000	- Containing penicillins or derivatives thereof, with a penicillanic acid structure, or streptomycins or their derivatives
3004.2000	- Containing other antibiotics	3004.2000	- Containing other antibiotics
3004.3	- Containing hormones or other products of heading 2937 but not containing antibiotics:	3004.3	- Other, containing hormones or other products of heading 2937:
3004.3100	-- Containing insulin	3004.3100	-- Containing insulin
3004.3200	-- Containing corticosteroid hormones, their derivatives or structural analogues	3004.3200	-- Containing corticosteroid hormones, their derivatives or structural analogues
3004.3900	-- Other	3004.3900	-- Other
3004.4000	- Containing alkaloids or derivatives thereof but not containing hormones, other products of heading 2937 or antibiotics	3004.4	- Other, containing alkaloids or derivatives thereof (continuation):
		3004.4100	-- Containing ephedrine or its salts
		3004.4200	-- Containing pseudoephedrine (INN) or its salts
		3004.4300	-- Containing norephedrine or its salts
		3004.4900	-- Other
3004.5000	- Other medicaments containing vitamins or other products of heading 2936	3004.5000	- Other, containing vitamins or other products of heading 2936
		3004.6000	- Other, containing antimalarial active principles described in Subheading Note 2 to this Chapter
3004.9000	- Other	3004.9000	- Other

EU Combined Nomenclature (CN)

2016 Nomenclature		2017 Nomenclature	
Code	Description	Code	Description
3002	Human blood; animal blood prepared for therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic uses; antisera, other blood fractions and immunological products, whether or not modified or obtained by means of biotechnological processes; vaccines, toxins, cultures of micro-organisms (excluding yeasts) and similar products:	3002	Human blood; animal blood prepared for therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic uses; antisera, other blood fractions and immunological products, whether or not modified or obtained by means of biotechnological processes; vaccines, toxins, cultures of micro-organisms (excluding yeasts) and similar products:
3002 10	- Antisera, other blood fractions and immunological products, whether or not modified or obtained by means of biotechnological processes:		- Antisera, other blood fractions and immunological products, whether or not modified or obtained by means of biotechnological processes:
3002 10 10	-- Antisera	3002 11 00	-- Malaria diagnostic test kits
	-- Other	3002 12 00	-- Antisera and other blood fractions
3002 10 91	-- Haemoglobin, blood globulins and serum globulins	3002 13 00	-- Immunological products, unmixed, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale
3002 10 98	-- Other	3002 14 00	-- Immunological products, mixed, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale
3002 20 00	- Vaccines for human medicine	3002 15 00	-- Immunological products, put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale
3002 30 00	- Vaccines for veterinary medicine	3002 19 00	-- Other
3002 90	- Other	3002 20 00	- Vaccines for human medicine
3002 90 10	-- Human blood	3002 30 00	- Vaccines for veterinary medicine
3002 90 30	-- Animal blood prepared for therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic uses	3002 90	- Other:
3002 90 50	-- Cultures of micro-organisms	3002 90 10	-- Human blood
3002 90 90	-- Other	3002 90 30	-- Animal blood prepared for therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic uses
		3002 90 50	-- Cultures of micro-organisms
		3002 90 90	-- Other
3003	Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 3002, 3005 or 3006) consisting of two or more constituents which have been mixed together for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale:	3003	Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 3002, 3005 or 3006) consisting of two or more constituents which have been mixed together for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale:
3003 10 00	- Containing penicillins or derivatives thereof, with a penicillanic acid structure, or streptomycins or their derivatives	3003 10 00	- Containing penicillins or derivatives thereof, with a penicillanic acid structure, or streptomycins or their derivatives
3003 20 00	- Containing other antibiotics	3003 20 00	- Other, containing antibiotics
	- Containing hormones or other products of heading 2937 but not containing antibiotics:		- Other, containing hormones or other products of heading 2937:
3003 31 00	-- Containing insulin	3003 31 00	-- Containing insulin
3003 39 00	-- Other	3003 39 00	-- Other
3003 40	- Containing alkaloids or derivatives thereof but not containing hormones or other products of heading 2937 or antibiotics:		- Other, containing alkaloids or derivatives thereof:
3003 40 20	-- Containing ephedrine or its salts	3003 41 00	-- Containing ephedrine or its salts
3003 40 30	-- Containing pseudoephedrine (INN) or its salts	3003 42 00	-- Containing pseudoephedrine (INN) or its salts
3003 40 40	-- Containing norephedrine or its salts	3003 43 00	-- Containing norephedrine or its salts
3003 40 80	-- Other	3003 49 00	-- Other
3003 60 00	- Other	3003 60 00	- Other, containing antimalarial active principles described in Subheading Note 2 to this Chapter
		3003 90 00	- Other
3004	Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 3002, 3005 or 3006) consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, put up in measured doses (including those in the form of transdermal administration systems) or in forms or packings for retail sale:	3004	Medicaments (excluding goods of heading 3002, 3005 or 3006) consisting of mixed or unmixed products for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, put up in measured doses (including those in the form of transdermal administration systems) or in forms or packings for retail sale:
3004 10 00	- Containing penicillins or derivatives thereof, with a penicillanic acid structure, or streptomycins or their derivatives	3004 10 00	- Containing penicillins or derivatives thereof, with a penicillanic acid structure, or streptomycins or their derivatives
	- Containing hormones or other products of heading 2937 but not containing antibiotics:	3004 20 00	- Other, containing antibiotics
3004 20 00	- Containing other antibiotics:		- Other, containing hormones or other products of heading 2937:
3004 31 00	-- Containing insulin	3004 31 00	-- Containing insulin
3004 32 00	-- Containing corticosteroid hormones, their derivatives or structural analogues	3004 32 00	-- Containing corticosteroid hormones, their derivatives or structural analogues
3004 39 00	-- Other	3004 39 00	-- Other
3004 40	- Containing alkaloids or derivatives thereof but not containing hormones, other products of heading 2937 or antibiotics:		- Other, containing alkaloids or derivatives thereof:
3004 40 20	-- Containing ephedrine or its salts	3004 41 00	-- Containing ephedrine or its salts
3004 40 30	-- Containing pseudoephedrine (INN) or its salts	3004 42 00	-- Containing pseudoephedrine (INN) or its salts
3004 40 40	-- Containing norephedrine or its salts	3004 43 00	-- Containing norephedrine or its salts
3004 40 80	-- Other	3004 49 00	-- Other
3004 50 00	- Other medicaments containing vitamins or other products of heading 2936	3004 50 00	- Other, containing vitamins or other products of heading 2936
3004 90 00	- Other	3004 60 00	- Other, containing antimalarial active principles described in Subheading Note 2 to this Chapter
		3004 90 00	- Other

Although the import of these products in Switzerland and the EU is still duty free, we recommend to check the classification of your products and makes changes/ amendments where needed. Should you need our assistance with (re)classifying your products, we are of course happy to help you.