

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS: IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

These definitions can be found in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States:

- (a) *Entry*. “Entry” means the documentation required by 142.3 of this chapter to be filed with the appropriate Customs officer to secure the release of imported merchandise from Customs custody, or the act of filing that documentation.
- (b) *Entry summary*. “Entry summary” means any other documentation necessary to enable Customs to assess duties, and statistics on imported merchandise, and determine whether other requirements of law or regulation are met.
- (c) *Submission*. “Submission” means the voluntary delivery to the appropriate Customs officer of the entry summary documentation for preliminary review or of entry documentation for other purposes.
- (d) *Filing*. “Filing” means:
 - (1) The delivery to Customs of the entry documentation required by section 484(a), Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1484(a)), to obtain the release of merchandise, or
 - (2) The delivery to Customs, together with the deposit of estimated duties, of the entry summary documentation required to assess duties, collect statistics, and determine whether other requirements of law and regulation are met, or
 - (3) The delivery to Customs, together with the deposit of estimated duties, of the entry summary documentation that shall serve as both the entry and the entry summary.
- (e) *Presentation*. “Presentation” is used only in connection with quota-class merchandise and is defined in 132.1(d) of this chapter.
- (f) *Entered for consumption*. “Entered for consumption” means that an entry summary for consumption has been filed with Customs in proper form.
- (g) *Entered for warehouse*. “Entered for warehouse” means that an entry summary for warehouse has been filed with Customs in proper form.
- (h) *Entered temporarily under bond*. “Entered temporarily under bond” means that an entry summary supporting a temporary importation under bond has been filed with Customs in proper form.
- (i) *Released conditionally*. “Released conditionally” means any release from Customs custody before liquidation.