

OFFICE OF TEXTILES AND APPAREL (OTEXA)

Market Reports Textiles, Apparel, Footwear and Travel Goods

Saudi Arabia

The following information is provided only as a guide and should be confirmed with the proper authorities before embarking on any export activities.

Import Tariffs

Saudi Arabia is a member of the [Gulf Cooperation Council \(GCC\)](#), which consists of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE. As a member of the GCC, Saudi Arabia implemented the Unified Customs Law (ULC) in 2003 to facilitate regional trade. In accordance with the ULC, Saudi Arabia imposes a five-percent tariff on the cost, insurance, and freight (c.i.f.) invoice value of most imported products. However, the Saudi government applies up to a **15-percent tariff on certain textile, apparel, footwear and travel goods products.**

Saudi Arabia: Tariffs (percent ad valorem) on Textile, Apparel, Footwear and Travel Goods

	HS Chapter/Subheading	Tariff Rate Range (%)
Yarn		
-silk	5003-5006	5
-wool	5105-5110	5
-cotton	5203-5207	5
-other vegetable fiber	5306-5308	5
-man-made fiber	5401-5406/5501-5511	5 - 12
Woven Fabric		
-silk	5007	5
-wool	5111-5113	5 - 15
-cotton	5208-5212	5
-other vegetable fiber	5309-5311	5
-man-made fiber	5407-5408/5512-5516	5 - 12
Knit Fabric	60	5
Non Woven Fabric	5603	5 - 12
Industrial Fabric	59	5
Apparel	61-62	5 - 12
Home Furnishings including: bed, bath, kitchen linens, etc.	63	5 - 15
Carpet	57	5 - 15
Footwear	64	5 - 12
Travel Goods	4202	5 - 15

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For information on local customs requirements and documentation, see:
[Saudi Arabian Department of Customs](#)

Standards

Local standards organization and other resources:

- [Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization - SASO](#)
- [GCC Standardization Organization](#)

Labeling

Labeling and marking requirements are compulsory for any products exported to Saudi Arabia. The [Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization \(SASO\)](#) is responsible for establishing labeling and other guidelines in Saudi Arabia. The Ministry of Commerce implements SASO guidelines through its inspection and test laboratories at ports of entry in Saudi Arabia.

Goods must have a clear and non-removable label indicating of country of origin, either woven, printed or pressed, depending on type of product. Goods that cannot be labeled because of their small size or nature, must carry a fixed non-removable indication of origin on the product wrapping or packaging.

Carpet manufacturers and suppliers must indicate in Arabic the thickness or weight of each square meter, type (nylon, wool, acrylic, polypropylene, etc.), pile weight, and country of origin, to be applied on every 5 meters along the carpet roll length. All carpet manufacturers, suppliers and distributors have to show the captioned data on the sales invoice.

For additional information on exporting textiles, apparel, footwear and travel goods, click [here](#).

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