

**DECISION  
OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION  
NO. 721 OF NOVEMBER 29, 2003  
ON THE REGULATION OF THE IMPORT OF PORK IN 2004**

For the purpose of the further ensuring of the stable development of the agro-industrial complex of the Russian Federation the Government of the Russian Federation resolves:

*Item 1 of this Decision shall enter into force as of January 1, 2004*

1. To amend the Customs Tariff of the Russian Federation, approved by Decision of the Government of the Russian Federation No. 830 of November 30, 2001 on the Customs Tariff of the Russian Federation and the Commodity Classification to Be Applied in Foreign Economic Activity (Sobraniye Zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, 2001, No. 50, item 4735; 2003, No. 36, item 352), as follows:

a) to set forth Additional Note 2 of the Russian Federation to Chapter 02 of the Commodity Classification of Foreign Economic Activity of the Russian Federation (hereinafter - Additional Note 2) in the following wording:

"2. In subheadings 0203 11 100 1, 0203 11 900 1, 0203 12 110 1, 0203 12 190 1, 0203 12 900 1, 0203 19 110 1, 0203 19 130 1, 0203 19 150 1, 0203 19 550 1, 0203 19 590 1, 0203 19 900 1, 0203 21 100 1, 0203 21 900 1, 0203 22 110 1, 0203 22 190 1, 0203 22 900 1, 0203 29 110 1, 0203 29 130 1, 0203 29 150 1, 0203 29 550 1, 0203 29 590 1 and 0203 29 900 1 there shall be included goods whose total volume of importation into the Russian Federation constitutes 450 thousand tonnes per year (in the presence of the license issued by a competent body), including from:

the European Union, and also from Hungary, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Czechia, Estonia - 227.3 thousand tonnes;

USA - 42.2 thousand tonnes;

Paraguay - 1 thousand tonnes;

other countries - 179.5 thousand tonnes";

b) to approve the annexed Rates of Import Customs Duties with a period of effect from January 1 through December 31, 2004.

2. The State Customs Committee of the Russian Federation shall carry out the clearance of the goods indicated in Additional Note 2 and imported in 2004 in accordance with the customs regime of release for internal consumption on the basis of the licences issued by the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Russian Federation.

*Item 3 of this Decision shall enter into force 15 days after the day of its official publication*

3. The Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Russian Federation shall within five days from the submission of an application in the established procedure:

a) before August 1, 2004 - the issuance of licences for the importation of 90 per cent of the volume of the goods indicated in Additional Note 2 to the participants of foreign economic activity that in 2003 drew up the licences for the import of fresh, chilled or frozen pork, code 0203 of the CC FEA of Russia (hereinafter, pork), including:

40 per cent of the 90 per cent of pork - in proportion to the volumes of pork imported by the said participants into the customs territory of the Russian Federation from January 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003, except pork originating and imported from the CIS member states;

60 per cent of the 90 per cent of the volume of pork - with the distribution in the first quarter of 2004 in proportion to the annual volume of pork imported by the said participants into the customs territory of the Russian Federation in the period from January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003, except pork originating and imported from the CIS member states;

b) from September 15, 2004 - the issuance of licences for the import of the volume of pork not taken out as on August 1, 2004 on the basis of applications of the participants of foreign economic

activity that have drawn up the licences for the import of pork before August 1, 2004 in proportion to the average annual volume of the pork imported by them into the customs territory of the Russian Federation in the period from January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003, except pork originating and imported from the CIS member states.

4. The Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Russian Federation shall:

a) within three months elaborate, in agreement with the Ministry of Agriculture of the Russian Federation and the Ministry of the Russian Federation for the Anti-monopoly Policy and Support of Business, and submit to the Government of the Russian Federation the procedure for the conduct in 2004 of an action for the sale of 10 per cent of the volume of the goods indicated in Additional Note 2 (hereinafter, the 10 per cent of the volume of pork);

b) sign with a Russian commodity exchange recommended by the Ministry of the Russian Federation for the Anti-monopoly Policy and Support of Business an agreement on interaction in the conduct of the sale at an auction of the 10 per cent of the volume of pork;

c) ensure the conduct in April 2004 of an auction for the sale of the 10 per cent of the volume of pork;

d) ensure control over the course of the auction and the incoming of the funds gained to the federal budget;

e) carry out the issuance of licences for the importation of the 10 per cent of the volume of pork by the results of the auction.

5. The State Customs Committee of the Russian Federation shall submit to the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Russian Federation:

within five days - a list of the participants of foreign economic activity that imported pork in the period from January 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003 with the indication of the volumes of pork and a breakdown by the countries in accordance with [Additional Note 2](#), except pork originating and imported from the CIS member states;

before March 1, 2004 - a list of the participants of foreign economic activity that imported pork in the period from January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003 with the indication of the volumes of pork and a breakdown by the countries in accordance with [Additional Note 2](#), except pork originating and imported from the CIS member states.

6. This Decision shall enter into force from the day of its [official publication](#), except [Item 1](#) entering into force as of January 1, 2004 and [Item 3](#) entering into force 15 days after the day of its [official publication](#).

Chairman of the Government  
of the Russian Federation

Mikhail Kasyanov

### Rates of Import Customs Duties

*These rates have a [period of effect](#) from January 1 through December 31, 2004*

<a href="#">CC FEA</a> Code	Description	Additi- onal unit of measu- rement	Rate of import customs duty (as a percen- tage of the customs value or in euros)
0203	Meat of swine, fresh, chilled, or frozen:		
	- fresh or chilled:		
0203 11	- - carcasses	or	
	half-carcasses:		

0203 11 100	- - - of domestic swine:	
0203 11 100 1	- - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 11 100 9	- - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 11 900	- - - other:	
0203 11 900 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 11 900 9	- - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 12	- - hams, shoulders, and cuts thereof, with bone in:	
	- - - of domestic swine:	
0203 12 110	- - - - hams and cuts thereof:	
0203 12 110 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 12 110 9	- - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 12 190	- - - - shoulders and cuts thereof:	
0203 12 190 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 12 190 9	- - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 12 900	- - - other:	
0203 12 900 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 12 900 9	- - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 19	- - other:	
	- - - of domestic swine:	
0203 19 110	- - - - fore-ends and cuts thereof:	
0203 19 110 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 19 110 9	- - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros

			per 1 kg
0203 19 130	- - - - loins and cuts thereof, with bone in:		
0203 19 130 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <a href="#">Additional note 2</a> of the Russian Federation to <a href="#">Chapter 02</a>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 19 130 9	- - - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 19 150	- - - - bellies (streaky) and cuts thereof:		
0203 19 150 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <a href="#">Additional note 2</a> of the Russian Federation to <a href="#">Chapter 02</a>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 19 150 9	- - - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
	- - - - other:		
0203 19 550	- - - - - boneless:		
0203 19 550 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <a href="#">Additional note 2</a> of the Russian Federation to <a href="#">Chapter 02</a>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 19 550 9	- - - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 19 590	- - - - - other:		
0203 19 590 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <a href="#">Additional note 2</a> of the Russian Federation to <a href="#">Chapter 02</a>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 19 590 9	- - - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 19 900	- - - other:		
0203 19 900 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <a href="#">Additional note 2</a> of the Russian Federation to <a href="#">Chapter 02</a>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 19 900 9	- - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
	- frozen:		
0203 21	- - carcasses and half-carcasses:		
0203 21 100	- - - of domestic swine:		
0203 21 100 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <a href="#">Additional note 2</a> of the Russian Federation to <a href="#">Chapter 02</a>		15 but not less than 0.2 euro per 1 kg

0203 21 100 9	- - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 21 900	- - - other:	
0203 21 900 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.2 euro per 1 kg
0203 21 900 9	- - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 22	- - hams, shoulders, and cuts thereof, with bone in:	
	- - - of domestic swine:	
0203 22 110	- - - - hams and cuts thereof:	
0203 22 110 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.2 euro per 1 kg
0203 22 110 9	- - - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 22 190	- - - - - shoulders and cuts thereof:	
0203 22 190 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.2 euro per 1 kg
0203 22 190 9	- - - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 22 900	- - - other:	
0203 22 900 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.2 euro per 1 kg
0203 22 900 9	- - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 29	- - other:	
	- - - of domestic swine:	
0203 29 110	- - - - fore-ends and cuts thereof:	
0203 29 110 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 29 110 9	- - - - - other	80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 29 130	- - - - loins and cuts thereof, with bone in:	
0203 29 130 1	- - - - - within volume and	15 but not less

		in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>	than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 29 130 9	- - - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
0203 29 150	- - - - bellies (streaky) and cuts thereof:		
0203 29 150 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 29 150 9	- - - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
	- - - - other:		
0203 29 550	- - - - - boneless:		
0203 29 550 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 29 550 9	- - - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
	- - - - other:		
0203 29 590	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 29 590 1	- - - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 29 590 9	- - - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg
	- - - other:		
0203 29 900	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 29 900 1	- - - - within volume and in order indicated in <u>Additional note 2</u> of the Russian Federation to <u>Chapter 02</u>		15 but not less than 0.25 euro per 1 kg
0203 29 900 9	- - - - other		80 but not less than 1.06 euros per 1 kg