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SECTION : EXPORTERS / MANUFACTURERS

## Exporters / manufacturers taking direct responsibility for:

- » Declaring preference qualification
- » Retaining records to substantiate preference
- » Being available for audit

## Exporter / manufacturer self-declaring preference qualification

### The exporter / manufacturer:

- » Knows the goods – how they are made
- » Markets the goods – assuring preference
- » Knows the classification – export entry
- » Can prove qualification – records, etc

## Exporter / manufacturer – retaining records

### Increased responsibility on the exporter / manufacturer to evidence:

- » Source of inputs – particularly from third-countries
- » Value of inputs – both domestic and foreign
- » The classification of inputs – from third-countries
- » The manufacturing process – where a process rule applies

## Evidencing preference qualification (audit)

### Auditing the exporter / manufacturer:

- » Customs audits – approaches from importing (or exporting) Customs
- » Requests from importers – seeking further information