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Report Highlights:

The General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC) recently updated the list of products subject to Decree 248. Between November 7, 2022, and January 4, 2023, it added 19 products and removed 15. The changes affect tea, spices, milled wheat, and animal fats. Before shipping, exporters should verify that their production or cold storage facilities have completed GACC's registration process. The updated list is attached to this report.

GACC Revises the Scope of Decree 248:

The General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC) has made several revisions to the list of products within the scope of Decree 248 since the FAS China GAIN report published October 6. Between November 7, 2022, and January 4, 2023, GACC added 19 products and removed 15. The changes affect tea, spices, milled wheat, and animal fats.

Before shipping, exporters should verify that their production or cold storage facilities are fully registered with GACC. If a product from an improperly registered facility arrives in China, or a product is shipped before GACC approves the registration, the exporter should expect that it will be detained at port. If a shipment is detained, please refer to the instructions in [Clearing Detained Shipments Unofficial Guidance](#). Firms consolidating shipments from multiple facilities should ensure that each supplying facility is fully registered, and that product packaging carries appropriate facility specific labeling.

GACC does not announce changes to the list of products subject to the scope of Decree 248. While FAS China plans to publish updates when GACC makes significant revisions, exporters should periodically run a “Product Type Query” on GACC’s Single Window system to determine if their facilities need to register. Exporters are strongly encouraged to maintain active communication with their importers and to check for updates in the [GAIN system](#). More details on the Decree 248 process are available in [Decree 248 Single Window User Manual and Training](#). An explanation of the self-registration process and an extensive question and answer section can be found in [Introduction to Facility Registration Under Decree 248](#).

Exporters are encouraged to review the attached spreadsheet to determine if their products are within the scope of Decree 248. The spreadsheet contains three tabs: one for the current list as of January 4, 2023, another for recently removed products, and one for recently added products. The last production facility in the production chain needs to be registered with GACC if its products will be shipped to China and are within the scope of Decree 248. There are also registration requirements for cold storage facilities.

FAS China has published several reports on Decrees 248 and 249 to inform and educate U.S. food and agricultural stakeholders over the last few years. The two reports listed below are among the most recent. The second report includes links to prior reports. Inquires on Decree 248 can be directed to Decree248inquiry@usda.gov.

[Decree 248 Facility and Product Registration Expectations](#)

[Introduction to Facility Registration Under Decree 248](#)

Attachments:

[Jan 4 2023 Decree 248 Code Revisions.xlsx](#)