

Free Trade Agreements (FTA)

For FCA U.S. Suppliers Only

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Section 1: Free Trade Agreement Requirements

1.1 Free Trade Eligibility:

For FCA U.S. Terms of Sale where Nordstrom imports, it is the supplier's/exporter's obligation to fully understand if their items qualify according to the rules of origin or eligibility for the following:

- NAFTA U.S. Originating
- NAFTA Mexico Originating
- NAFTA U.S. Tariff Preference Level (TPL)

Attachments:

[NAFTA Certificate of Origin](#)

- Blanket NAFTA certificate are good for one year and are useful when you company sell to Nordstrom Canada a core product selection that will re-orders throughout the year. Blanket NAFTA certs are dated in section 2. (blanket period). It is important to list all NAFTA qualifying item by style number and description in section 5 (Description of goods). Additional items can be added to the NAFTA cert that will be shipped during the blanket period.
- Single shipment NAFTA certs are good for one shipment at a time and are useful for fashion items that are not likely to be repeated during a year. Only date the certificate in section 11e.(date) and must be dated at the time the product ships.

[Exporters Certification of Non-Originating Textile Goods \(TPL cert\)](#)

[TPL cert instructions](#)

1.2 Certificates of Origin/Eligibility:

At time of shipping, suppliers must tender the applicable NAFTA Certificate of Origin or NAFTA TPL Certificate of Non-Originating Goods to the carrier/consolidator along with a hardcopy of your commercial invoice. Ensure that VPNs/Styles are specified.

Signing Authority - Only those officials who have the legally vested authority to sign on behalf of a company, or who **have sufficient knowledge of the origin of the goods** may sign a certificate. If a third party has completed and signed the certificate on behalf of the exporter or producer, that third party must have knowledge of the origin of the goods. All parties must be able to demonstrate to the satisfaction of customs authorities that the signing party has the legal authority. See: <http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/publications/dm-md/d11/d11-4-14-eng.html-17>

1.3 Compliance Follow Up

Expect to be contacted by Nordstrom for compliance follow-up and/or the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) for validation/production documents to confirm FTA eligibility. See: <http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/publications/dm-md/d11/d11-4-20-eng.html>.

1.4 Questions/Contact

FCA U.S. Suppliers may direct questions to Nordstrom Customs Compliance at custcompmb@nordstrom.com.