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Dear Ms. Nimitz:

In response to your correspondence dated April 19, 2022; the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) - International Events and Convention Services Program (IECSP) officially recognizes the following event:

Founder's Classic June 10-12, 2022
National CSI June 16-19, 2022
Pan American CSI June 30-July 3, 2022
North American CSI July 7-10, 2022
Continental CSI September 1-4, 2022
Masters CSIO September 1-4, 2022
Spruce Meadows
Calgary, Alberta

The information provided to the CBSA states there will be approximately 30,000 attendees to which 20% are foreign to Canada and that the event is open to the general public with sales.

As outlined in your correspondence, this event is expecting approximately 50 foreign exhibitors who are importing display booths, computers, printed advertising materials, t-shirts, hats, books, equestrian equipment, furniture, apparel, artwork, etc. for use at the event.

It should be noted that, non-Canadian exhibitors may import display items and exhibit booths temporarily as outlined in the provisions of tariff classification **9993.00.00.00** duty free, on the condition that the goods will be exported from Canada upon the completion of the event.

Goods imported for sale are not eligible under tariff No. 9993.00.00.00. These goods must be accounted for at time of release on a [Form B3](#), *Canada Customs Coding Form*. Commercial release processing is fully explained in Customs Memorandum [D17-1-5](#).

Goods imported as "giveaways" must be accounted for at time of release on a [Form B3](#), *Canada Customs Coding Form* with all applicable duties and/or taxes collected at the time of importation.

Under certain circumstances, the CBSA will require a security deposit on goods temporarily imported to Canada. These goods are normally documented on the Temporary Admission Permit (Form E29B). <https://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/publications/forms-formulaires/e29b.pdf>

At the time of exportation, goods granted temporary admission on a Form E29B or Carnet must be presented along with importer's/owner's copies of the appropriate documentation to CBSA for verification and certification. This presentation may occur at a CBSA office inland or at the port of export, depending on the circumstances

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involved and is necessary for you to receive a refund of any securities posted. Please note that the refund is not immediate.

Based on the information provided, in excess of 175 horses will be temporarily imported for the initial competitions and up to 200 horses for the Masters event. Under the Temporary Importation (Tariff Item No. 9993.00.00) Regulations, Memorandum D8-1-1, paragraphs 107 and 108:

107. Horses and other equines imported temporarily for pasturage, competition, training or breeding qualify for customs duty free entry under tariff item No. 9993.00.00 and are non-taxable for the purposes of the GST/HST under the Non-taxable Imported Goods (GST/HST) Regulations and Item 39 of the Schedule to the Temporary Importation (Excise Levies and Additional Duties) Regulations. These provisions apply whether the importer is a resident or a non-resident of Canada.

108. Unless the inspecting officer has reasonable cause to believe that the horses will not be exported, the requirement to document the horses on a Form E29B and post a security deposit is waived. However, the importer must present any documentation required by OGDs.

Horses and equipment imported for use at competitions qualify for duty-free importation under the provisions of tariff item 9993.00.00 with full GST relief under Special Authority Code 39-089Z1663. Sulkies, saddles, harnesses and related equipment qualify for full GST/HST relief under Special Authority Code 40-089Z1663

Film Logic Customs Brokers Inc. has been designated as the official customs broker for this event. If you have any questions regarding importing meeting materials into Canada or if you wish to inquire as to the brokerage services provided, please contact Elias Pizarro at 403-452-2244.

Consideration should also be given to other government department regulations. Persons importing drugs, medicines, pharmaceuticals and medical equipment or devices, such as health supplements, medical devices and other health and medical supplies for an event should also contact Health Canada at 1-866-225-0709 or visit their website at: www.hc-sc.gc.ca

Veterinary prescription drugs should be clearly identified and carried in the original packaging with a label specifying that it is prescription medication. A copy of the prescription should also be available as well as a contact number for the veterinarian. Horse trailers should be clean for inspection purposes.

Please note that agricultural products such as hay, straw, grasses and silage to be used as feed for the horses may be restricted or prohibited. As well, there may be additional agricultural requirements or restrictions, including horse(s) being certified for equine prioplasmosis. Please note that information is constantly changing. For information or to confirm that entry from a particular US state is acceptable, contact the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) National Import Service Centre at 1-800-835-4486.

To limit the further spread of coronavirus in Canada, new travel restrictions are in place across all border crossings. Please review the following link carefully to determine if you are eligible to enter Canada:
<https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid>

CBSA requires everyone seeking admission into Canada to properly declare themselves to CBSA by providing accurate identification. CBSA will accept a valid passport as proof of citizenship.

Persons who have been convicted of any criminal offences may be inadmissible to Canada. For more information please visit: www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/inadmissibility.html

If you have attendees from visa-requiring countries (www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp), please contact the Special Events Unit of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) at special.events@cic.gc.ca with the specifics of your event. They will assess the visa requirements of your event.

Visa-exempt foreign nationals, excluding U.S. citizens, now require an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to fly to or transit through Canada. For more information please visit: www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/visit-canada/eta/apply.html

Are you flying into Canada? Would you like to potentially cut your processing time in half? The CanBorder – eDeclaration app for your smart phone is quick, simple and secure, operates in airplane mode (once downloaded) and allows you to create a declaration for up to five travellers with the same place of residence. For more information please visit: www.cbsa.gc.ca/new-neuf/app-eng.html

Foreign nationals may engage in exhibiting, selling or displaying goods without a work permit provided they are not selling to the general public. Direct sales to the general public require a work permit. For more information please visit: www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/work-canada.html

To facilitate border procedures it is recommended that organizers and carriers as well as foreign competitors, support staff, and exhibitors be provided a copy of this letter for presentation to a CBSA Border Services Officer upon their arrival to Canada.

In conjunction with the presentation of this Recognition Letter, an itemized list of goods including a description, country of origin, quantity and value is required for presentation to CBSA. If your event materials will be imported by a commercial carrier or courier service, a copy of this letter should also be attached to any shipping documents.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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*The information you provide in this document is collected under the authority of **Section 107(9) of the Customs Act** for the purpose of the facilitation of border coordination services for organizers of international events being held in Canada. The information may be disclosed to Other Government departments and/or Agencies (e.g. Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada) for the purposes of providing assistance with admissibility requirements.*

*Individuals have the right of access to, the protection and correction of their personal information under the **Privacy Act – Section 12**. The information collected is described under the **International Events Personal Information Bank CBSA PPU 040** which is detailed at www.cbsa.gc.ca/agency-agence/reports-rapports/pia-efvp/atip-airpr/infosource-eng.html*

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