

## Lifting of import suspensions

Pursuant to the Complementary Finance Law for 2018 and the Executive Decree No. 18-230 of 25 September 2018, the Minister of Commerce has adopted the list of goods subject to the **provisional additional safeguard duty (DAPS)** and the corresponding rates (between 30% and 200%).

The introduction of the DAPS as a tariff instrument is being introduced for reasons related to safeguarding the balance of payments, encouraging national production and developing fledgling industries.

The list of goods subject to the DAPS and the corresponding rates are set out in an annex to an order of the Minister of Commerce of 26 January 2019:

<https://www.commerce.gov.dz/reglementation/arrete-du-26-janvier-2019>

**The 877 goods and products that were subject to provisional suspension on import** by Decree No. 18-02 of 7 January 2018, amended by Decree No. 18-139 of 21 May 2018, **are now free to import** on payment of the DAPS.

Nevertheless, vehicles defined by Executive Decree No. 19-12 of 24 January 2019 amending Decree No. 18-02 remain subject to suspension of imports, with the exception of collections intended for the assembly industries:

1. Tractors (excluding tractor trucks)
2. Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more people, including driver
3. Passenger cars and other motor vehicles primarily designed for the transport of persons (with the exception of the vehicles indicated in point 2) including station wagons and racing cars

4. Motor vehicles for the transport of goods
5. Special purpose motor vehicles, other than those primarily designed for the transport of persons or goods (for example, tow trucks, crane trucks, fire fighting cars, concrete mixers, sweeper cars, spreader cars, workshop cars, radiological cars).

The list of goods and products subject to the DAPS may be revised and updated periodically in the light of developments in the upgrading of national companies in relation to international competition, on the basis of monitoring the volume of imports of these products, in coordination with the economic sectors and representatives of the sectors concerned.



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