

EC-JORDAN (GOODS)
Summary Fact Sheet
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Table 1: Background Information

Parties	EC, Jordan	
Date of signature	24 November 1997	
Date of entry into force	1 May 2002	
Transition period for full implementation	12 years	
Date of full implementation	1 May 2014	
Website addresses or points of contact	EC: http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/pri/en/oj/dat/2002/l_129/l_12920020515en00030165.pdf Jordan: http://www.jftp.gov.jo/main.htm	
List of related GATT/WTO documents	WT/REG141/N/1 WT/REG141/1 WT/REG141/2 WT/REG141/3 WT/REG141/M/1 – M/2 WT/REG141/4 – 5	Notification Agreement Terms of Reference Standard Format Summary Records Questions and Replies

Table 2: Internal trade liberalization provisions

Import duties and charges	Title II Chapter 1 (Industrial Goods) Article 10 (Tariff Rates Quotas) Chapter 2 (Agricultural Products) Chapter 3 (Common Provisions)
Export duties and charges	Article 18(3) The Agreement prohibits the application of customs duties or measures having equivalent effect on exports between the EC and Jordan.
Non-tariff measures	Article 18 Quantitative restrictions on imports and measures having equivalent effect on trade between the Community and Jordan shall be abolished upon the entry into force of the Agreement. No new quantitative restrictions on imports or exports shall be introduced.
Sector-specific rules	Protocol 1 and 2 deal with agricultural products Jordan may specify a separate agricultural component in the import duties in force for certain processed agricultural imports originating in the Community. Article 31 (maritime transport services)
Product exclusions	Yes

Table 3: Common External Tariff

Provisions	Not applicable
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Table 4: General trade-related provisions

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Rules of Origin	Article 28 and Protocol 3	The definition of 'originating products' is set out in Protocol 3 of the Agreement. Evidence of the originating status of products is furnished by the EUR.1 and Euro-med movement certificate. Cumulation of origin is foreseen in Protocol 3.
Standards-related measures	Article 57 and Article 68	The Parties shall aim to reduce differences in standardisation and conformity assessment. To this end they shall conclude where appropriate agreements on mutual recognition in conformity assessment.
SPS measures	None	There are no provisions governing SPS measures.
Safeguard mechanisms (intra-trade)	Article 13, Article 24 and Article 52	Safeguard measures may be used with the approval of the Association Committee where an increase in imports of a product occurs as to cause serious injury, disturbances or deterioration to domestic producers in any sector of the economy. They also may be used for infant industries or industries facing serious difficulties. In

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		case of serious balance of payment difficulties restrictive procedures complying with GATT and Articles VIII and XIV of the Articles of Agreement of the International Monetary Fund may be exercised.
Anti-dumping and countervailing measures	Article 23	If one of the Parties finds that dumping is taking place in its trade with the other party, it may take appropriate measures in accordance with Article VI of GATT, its related internal legislation and respecting the information exchange procedures established by the Agreement.
Subsidies and state aid	Article 4 and Article 53 (1c)	Any public aid distorting competition is incompatible with the proper functioning of the Agreement in so far as it affects trade between the Parties. The Association Council shall adopt within five years of the entry into force of the Agreement the necessary implementing rules. The Member States and Jordan are to progressively adjust, without affecting commitments made under GATT, any state monopolies of a commercial character to ensure that, by the end of the fifth year following the Agreement's entry into force no discrimination exists regarding the conditions under which goods are procured and marketed between nationals of the Member States and of Jordan.
Customs-related procedures	Article 76	Development of customs cooperation to ensure that the provisions on trade are observed. Cooperation will focus on the simplification of controls and procedures concerning the customs clearance of goods and the use of a single administrative document and a system to link up the Community's and Jordan's transit arrangements.
IPR	Article 56 and Annex VII	The Agreement commits the Parties to providing and ensuring adequate and effective protection of intellectual, industrial and commercial property rights in line with the highest international standards. The Agreement identifies a number of relevant multilateral conventions, to which Jordan should accede according to the provisions stipulated in annex 7 of the Agreement. If any difficulties arise, the Parties agree to consult bilaterally in order to resolve them.
Government procurement	Article 58	The Agreement sets as a common objective reciprocal and gradual liberalisation of public procurement contracts and provides that the Association Council shall take the steps necessary to implement this objective.
Competition	Articles 53-55	A mechanism of cooperation is established under the Agreement and reports to the Association Committee.
Investment	Article 49 Article 67	There shall be no restrictions on the movement of capital from the Community to Jordan and on the movement of direct investment from Jordan to the Community. The Agreement supports the creation of a favourable and stable investment environment in Jordan through harmonised and simplified administrative procedures; co-investment machinery, information channels and means of identifying investment opportunities, etc.
General exceptions	Article 27	The Agreement permits measures to, <i>inter alia</i> , protect public morals, health, imports or exports of gold or silver, public security, animals or plants, national treasures of artistic, historic or archaeological value and the protection of intellectual and commercial property.
Accession	None	
Dispute resolution	Article 97	Either Party may refer to the Association Council any dispute relating to the application or interpretation of this Agreement. The Association Council may settle the dispute through a decision or either Party may notify the appointment of an arbitrator to the other Party, which must then appoint a second arbitrator within two months. The Association Council shall appoint a third arbitrator. The arbitrators' decisions are taken by majority vote.
Relation with other trade agreements	Article 22	The Agreement does not preclude the maintenance or establishment of customs unions, free-trade areas or arrangements for frontier trade

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		insofar as they do not have the effect of altering the trade arrangements provided for in the Agreement. Consultations should take place between the Parties in the Association Committee concerning agreements establishing customs unions or free trade areas and, where appropriate, on other major issues related to their respective trade policies with third countries.
Institutional provisions	Article 89-101	An Association Council, meeting at Ministerial level at least once a year, examines any significant issues arising in the framework of the Agreement; an Association Committee is responsible the implementation of the Agreement and areas for which the Association Council has delegated power to it.
Other	Article 65	Cooperation is aimed at preventing deterioration of the environment, controlling pollution and ensuring the rational use of natural resources, with a view to ensuring sustainable development and promoting regional environmental projects.

Table 5a: Trade and tariff data (EC imports from Jordan), 2002

	Value € 1,000	% of total by sector	Tariff line coverage (% duty and quota free by sector)
Agriculture (Total excluding fish)
of which liberalized by end of implementation (EOI)	..	99.4	99.5
Industrial Products (Total)	..	100	100
of which liberalized by EOI	..	100	100
Fish (Total)
of which liberalized by EOI
Total	223.365
of which liberalized by EOI

Table 5b: Trade and tariff data (Jordan's imports from the EC), 2002

	Value €1,000	% of total by sector	Tariff line coverage (% duty and quota free by sector)
Agriculture (Total excluding fish)
of which liberalized by EOI	..	92.5	98.2
Industrial Products (Total)
of which liberalized by EOI	..	88.7	95.9
Fish (Total)
of which liberalized by EOI
Total	1,724,799
of which liberalized by EOI

.. Not available