

**JAPAN-SINGAPORE (GOODS)**  
**Summary Fact Sheet**  
**April 2007**

**Table 1: Background Information**

Parties	Japan, Singapore	
Date of signature	13 January 2002	
Date of entry into force	30 November 2002	
Transition period for full implementation of tariff concessions	7 years and 1 month until 1 January 2010 for Annex I	
Date of full implementation	1. January 2010	
Website addresses or points of contact	Japan: <a href="http://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/economy/fta/singapore.html">http://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/economy/fta/singapore.html</a> Singapore: <a href="http://www.iesingapore.gov.sg/wps/portal/FTA">http://www.iesingapore.gov.sg/wps/portal/FTA</a>	
List of related GATT/WTO documents	WT/REG140/N/1 WT/REG140/1 WT/REG140/2 WT/REG140/3 WT/REG140/M/1, WT/REG140/M/1/Corr.1 and WT/REG140/M/2 WT/REG140/5, WT/REG140/6 and WT/REG140/7	Notification Agreement Terms of Reference Standard Format (Goods Aspects) Summary Records  Questions and Replies

**Table 2: Internal trade liberalization provisions**

Import duties and charges	Article 14 (Common provisions) Annex I (Tariff Schedules)
Export duties and charges	Article 16 (Neither party to adopt or maintain duties on exports)
Non-tariff measures	Article 17 (Neither party to institute or maintain any non-tariff measures on imports or exports) Non-tariff measures must minimize trade distortions to the maximum extent possible and not be inconsistent with its obligations at the WTO. Permitted non-tariff measures must be fully transparent.
Sector-specific rules	None
Product exclusions	Yes

**Table 3: Common External Tariff**

Provisions	Not applicable
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**Table 4: General trade-related provisions**

Provision	Article	Additional information
Rules of origin	Chapter 3 (Articles 22-34) and Annex II	Originating goods under Article 23 include goods which have undergone sufficient transformation in a Party and satisfy the product specific rules in Annex IIA. Product-specific rules requiring that the materials used undergo a change in tariff classification or a specific manufacturing or processing operation shall apply only to non-originating materials..
Standards	Chapter 6	Provisions on mutual recognition of the results of conformity assessment procedures.
SPS	None	No provisions
Safeguard mechanisms (intra-trade)	Article 18 Article 11	To be used only during the transition period (10 years immediately following the entry into force of the Agreement ) and only after an investigation has been carried out by the competent authorities. Measures to be maintained for up to one year and up to three years in exceptional circumstances.
Anti-dumping and countervailing measures	Article 14	
Subsidies and state aid	None	
Customs-related	Chapter 4	Chapter 4 relates specifically to customs procedures

procedures		
IPR	Chapter 10	Agreement to cooperate on protection of intellectual property rights, including exchanging information and sharing experiences, joint training and exchange of experts and disseminating information on IP enforcement.
Government Procurement	Chapter 11	Procurement threshold for goods covered by the provisions of Chapter 11 is SDR 100,000. There are also provisions for exchange of information on procurement.
Competition	Chapter 12	Dispute settlement procedures under the Agreement are not applicable to Chapter 12.
Investment	Chapter 8	
General exceptions	Chapter 2 (Article 19)	Measures to <i>inter alia</i> protect public morals, health, imports or exports of gold or silver, to secure compliance with provisions of GATT 1994, relating to products of prison labour, protection of national treasures, conservation of exhaustible resources etc. Restrictions in case of balance of payments difficulties are also admitted (Article 20).
Accessions	None	
Dispute resolution	Chapter 21	Provisions include general consultations for avoidance and settlement of disputes, establishment and functioning of arbitral tribunals and implementation of any awards made by the tribunal.
Relations with other trade agreements	Chapter 1 (Article 6)	The parties must consult immediately if there is any inconsistency between the Agreement and any other agreement to which both Parties are parties, to find a mutually satisfactory solution.
Institutional provisions	Article 8	A Supervisory Committee shall be established to ensure the proper implementation of this Agreement, to review economic relationship and partnership between the Parties, and to consider the necessity of amending this Agreement for furthering its objectives.
Other		Provisions also include trade facilitation and bilateral cooperation in key areas such as information and communication technology, science and technology, financial services, tourism and human resources development.

**Table 5a: Trade and tariff Data (Japan's imports from Singapore)**

Sector	Imports 2000			No. of HS 6 digit lines		
	Value	% of total		No. lines	% of total	
	Yen 1 million	by sector	Overall		by sector	Overall
Total	663,685	..		5,223	..	..
of which liberalized by EOI	622,749	..	93.8%	..	..	..

**Table 5b: Trade and tariff Data (Singapore's imports from Japan)**

Sector	Imports 2000			No. of HS 6 digit lines		
	Value	% of total		No. lines	% of total	
	S\$ 1000	by sector	Overall		by sector	Overall
Total	39,955,023	100%	100%	..	100%	100%
of which liberalized by EOI	39,955,023	100%	100%	..	100%	100%

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