

**Ministry of Commerce Notice on Preliminary Determination of Anti-Dumping  
Investigation against Imports of POM Copolymer originating from the EU, USA,  
Taiwan and Japan**

**Notice No.5 (2025)**

In accordance with the *Anti-Dumping Regulation of the People's Republic of China*, on 19 May 2024, the Ministry of Commerce (hereinafter referred to as 'the investigation authority') released the Notice No. 18 [2024], deciding to initiate an anti-dumping investigation against imported POM Copolymer (hereinafter referred to as 'the product under investigation') originating in the EU, USA, Taiwan and Japan.

The investigation authority has investigated into the existence of dumping and dumping margin, the existence of injury to domestic industry caused by the products under investigation and the extent of such injury, as well as the causal relationship between the dumping and the damage. The investigation authority has made a preliminary determination (see the Annex) according to the investigation findings and the Article 24 of the *Anti-dumping Regulations*. Relevant matters are hereby announced as follows:

**1 Preliminary determination**

The investigation authority preliminarily ruled that there was dumping of imported POM Copolymer originating in the EU, USA, Taiwan and Japan, and the domestic industry was substantially injured, and there was causal relationship between the dumping and the substantive injury.

**2 Collection of deposit**

The Investigation Authority decides to implement preliminary anti-dumping measures by collecting deposit, according to Article 28 and Article 29 of the *Anti-dumping Regulations*. As of 24 January 2025, import operators shall pay relevant deposit to the Customs of the People's Republic of China at the rate determined by this ruling for each company when importing the product under investigation.

Details of the products under investigation are as follows:

Investigation scope: import of POM Copolymer originating in the EU, USA, Taiwan and Japan

Subject product: Polyformaldehyde Copolymer, or Polyoxymethylene Copolymer, or Copolymer-type Acetal Resin, or Acetal Copolymer. Abbreviation to the product: POM Copolymer

Chemical molecular formula:



Physicochemical properties:

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Copolymerised paraformaldehyde is a thermoplastic resin synthesised from formaldehyde with a -CH<sub>2</sub>-O- backbone and -[CH<sub>2</sub>-O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>]- embedded bonds (greater than 50% CH<sub>2</sub>-O-content by weight), and which meets all of the following performance specifications at the same time:

Solute mass flow rate (190°C,2.16kg) / (g/10 min)	≤4	4<·≤7	7<·≤11	11<·≤16	16<·≤35	35<·≤60	>60
melting temperature/°C	160≤·<170						
densities/ (g/cm3)	1.38~1.43						
yield stress/MPa	≥58				≥60		
Nominal strain at rupture/%	≥20				≥15		
Tensile modulus of elasticity/MPa	≥2400						
Notched impact strength of simply supported beams/ (kJ/m²)	≥5.5		≥4.5		≥3.0		
1.8 MPa load deflection temperature/°C	≥85						

Main application: Copolymerisation of paraformaldehyde has good mechanical properties such as high mechanical strength, high fatigue resistance, high creep resistance, etc. It can partially replace copper, zinc, tin, lead and other metal materials, and can be directly used or modified for automotive parts, electronic and electrical appliances, industrial machinery, daily necessities, sports equipment, medical equipment, pipelines and pipe fittings, building materials and other fields.

The products are classified under HS codes of the *Customs Import and Export Tariff of the People's Republic of China (2023)*: 39071010, 39071090. Other products under these two tariff codes, such as homopolymerised paraformaldehyde and modified paraformaldehyde, are not in the scope of this investigation.

Deposit rates of each companies are as follows:

Companies of the US:

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| 1. Ticona Polymers, Inc. | 74.9% |
| 3. Other companies       | 74.9% |

Companies of the EU:

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| 1. Celanese Production Germany GmbH & Co. KG | 42.0% |
| 2. Other companies                           | 42.0% |

Companies of Taiwan area:

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|----------------------------------|-------|
| 1. POLYPLASTICS TAIWAN CO., LTD  | 3.8%  |
| 2. Formosa Plastics Corporation. | 4.0%  |
| 2. All others                    | 32.6% |

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Companies of Japan:

POLYPLASTICS CO., LTD.	43.7%
ASAHI KASEI CORPORATION	33.9%
All others	43.7%

### 3 Methods of collecting deposit

As of 24 January 2025, import operators shall pay relevant deposit to the Customs of the People's Republic of China according to the deposit rates determined by this ruling for each company when importing POM Copolymer originating in the EU, USA, Taiwan and Japan. The deposit is levied by means of ad valorem on the basis of dutiable value authorized by China Customs, and the formula is: Deposit amount = (customs-assessed dutiable value × deposit rate) × (1 + VAT rate on imports).

### 4 Comments

An interested party may submit written comments to the investigation authority within 10 days from the promulgation date hereof.

Annex: Basic facts concerning the preliminary determination of the anti-dumping investigation of imports of POM Copolymer originating in the EU, USA, Taiwan and Japan

Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China  
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