

live porcine animal HTS numbers 0103.91.0010, 0103.91.0020, 0103.91.0030, 0103.92.0010, and 0103.92.0090—to the table in § 1230.110(a) to reflect current USCS HTS numbers used for live porcine animals.

This proposed rule provides for a 30-day comment period. This comment period is deemed appropriate because the proposed rule simply provides for a decrease in the per pound assessment levels on imported pork and pork products to reflect changes in live hog prices which occurred during 2002. These live hog prices form the basis for the assessments. This adjustment, if adopted, should be made effective as

soon as possible to bring the equivalent market value of live animals from which such imported pork and pork products were derived in line with the market values of domestic porcine animals.

#### List of Subjects in 7 CFR part 1230

Administrative practice and procedure, Advertising, Agricultural research, Marketing agreement, Meat and meat products, Pork and pork products.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, it is proposed that 7 CFR part 1230 be amended as follows:

#### PART 1230—PORK PROMOTION, RESEARCH, AND CONSUMER INFORMATION

1. The authority citation for 7 CFR part 1230 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 4801–4819.

#### Subpart B—[Amended]

2. Section 1230.110 is revised to read as follows:

#### § 1230.110 Assessments on imported pork and pork products.

(a) The following Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) categories of imported live porcine animals are subject to assessment at the rate specified.

Live porcine animals	Article description	Assessment
0103.10.0000 .....	Purebred breeding animals .....	0.40 percent Customs Entered Value
0103.91.00 .....	Other: Weighing less than 50 kg each.	
0103.91.0010 .....	Weighing less than 7 kg each .....	0.40 percent Customs Entered Value
0103.91.0020 .....	Weighing 7 kg or more but less than 23 kg each.	0.40 percent Customs Entered Value
0103.91.0030 .....	Weighing 23 kg or more but less than 50 kg each.	0.40 percent each Customs Entered Value
0103.92.00 .....	Weighing 50 kg or more each.	
0103.92.0010 .....	Imported for immediate slaughter .....	0.40 percent Customs Entered Value
0103.92.0090 .....	Other .....	0.40 percent Customs Entered Value

(b) The following HTS categories of imported pork and pork products are

subject to assessment at the rates specified.

Pork and pork products	Article description	Assessment	
		cents/lb	cents/kg
0203 .....	Meat of swine, fresh, chilled, or frozen: Fresh or chilled:	.....	.....
0203.11.0000 .....	Carcasses and half-carcasses .....	.20	.440920
0203.12.1010 .....	Processed hams and cuts thereof, with bone in .....	.20	.440920
0203.12.1020 .....	Processed shoulders and cuts thereof, with bone in .....	.20	.440920
0203.12.9010 .....	Other hams and cuts thereof, with bone in .....	.20	.440920
0203.12.9020 .....	Other shoulders and cuts thereof, with bone in .....	.20	.440920
0203.19.2010 .....	Processed spare ribs .....	.23	.507058
0203.19.2090 .....	Processed other .....	.23	.507058
0203.19.4010 .....	Bellies .....	.20	.440920
0203.19.4090 .....	Other .....	.20	.440920
0203.21.0000 .....	Frozen carcasses and half-carcasses .....	.20	.440920
0203.22.1000 .....	Frozen-processed hams, shoulders, and cuts thereof, with bone in.	.20	.440920
0203.22.9000 .....	Frozen-other hams, shoulders, and cuts thereof, with bone in.	.20	.440920
0203.29.2000 .....	Frozen processed other .....	.23	.507058
0203.29.4000 .....	Frozen other: Other .....	.20	.440920
0206 .....	Edible offal of bovine animals, swine, sheep, goats, horses, asses, mules or hinnies, fresh, chilled, or frozen:	.....	.....
0206.30.0000 .....	Of swine, fresh or chilled .....	.20	.440920
0206.41.0000 .....	Of swine, frozen: Livers .....	.20	.440920
0206.49.0000 .....	Of swine, frozen: Other .....	.20	.440920
0210 .....	Meat and edible meat offal, salted, in brine, dried or smoked; edible flours and meals of meat or meat offal:	.....	.....
0210.11.0010 .....	Meat of swine: Hams and cuts thereof, with bone in .....	.20	.440920
0210.11.0020 .....	Meat of swine: Shoulders and cuts thereof, with bone in .....	.20	.440920
0210.12.0020 .....	Meat of swine: Bellies (streaky) and cuts thereof, Bacon .....	.20	.440920
0210.12.0040 .....	Meat of swine: Bellies (streaky) and cuts thereof, Other .....	.20	.440920
0210.19.0010 .....	Meat of swine: Canadian style bacon .....	.23	.507058
0210.19.0090 .....	Meat of Swine: Other .....	.23	.507058