

- (2) The Wholesome Meat Act (PL 90-201) is designed to protect the health and welfare of consumers by assuring that meat and meat food products distributed to them are wholesome, not adulterated, and properly marked, labeled, and packaged. This legislation is not intended to restrict trade, although plants in some countries with relatively low health and sanitary standards may have difficulty complying with the standards set forth in the Act.

F. Other Nontariff Barriers

- (1) Distilled Spirits
Under the wine gallon/proof gallon system used by the United States to assess import duties and excise taxes on alcoholic beverages, imported bottled spirits of less than 100 proof are assessed as though they were 100 proof, so that in effect a bottle of 86 proof Scotch is assessed for an additional 14 proof. Alcoholic beverages imported in bulk at 100 proof or more are treated the same as domestically produced spirits, which are assessed before the bottling process while they are still 100 proof.
- (2) United States Manufacturing Clause in Copyright Act
Prevents entry into the United States of more than 1,500 copies of English language books with an exception for books authored by nationals of countries adhering to the Universal Copyright Convention.

This list, inter alia, does not include foreign assets control regulations, which control the trade with Communist China, North Korea, North Vietnam, and Cuba; voluntary export controls which may be imposed by foreign countries to avoid disruption of the U.S. market; state and local measures that may restrict imports; and private restrictive practices.