



# EU Steel Regulation: Commission launches consultation on the type of evidence to be provided on country of 'melt and pour'

Today, the European Commission launched a targeted consultation seeking stakeholders' feedback on the appropriate documentation for implementing the country 'melt and pour' traceability requirements under the EU Steel Regulation.

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The EU Steel Regulation addresses negative trade-related effects of global overcapacity on the EU steel market. Following its entry into force, the Regulation will be supplemented by several Implementing Acts, including the 'Commission Implementing Regulation determining the type of evidence to be provided by importers pursuant to paragraph 1 of Article 3 of the mentioned Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council addressing the negative trade-related effects of global overcapacity on the Union steel market'.

The Implementing Act on 'melt and pour' traceability requirements will determine the type of documentary evidence that importers of steel products into the EU will need to provide to demonstrate where the steel was originally melted and poured. This requirement is a key element of the new EU Steel Regulation, designed to ensure transparency in steel trade.

The consultation will run for four weeks (from 4 June to 2 July 2026). It will seek input from steel producers, steel users, traders, importers, industry associations, and other

stakeholders to identify the most practical and reliable documentation allowing to effectively verify the country of melt and pour of steel imported into the EU.

Following the consultation, the Commission will analyse the responses as part of the preparation of the Implementing Act, which is expected to be adopted by 31 August 2026 and will enter into force on 1 October 2026.

## Background

The EU Steel Regulation, which will be in place as of 1 July 2026, will set free-of-duty quotas to 18.3 million tons, with a 50% duty for out-of-quota imports and a melt and pour regime to enhance transparency. The measure will apply to all origins except for EEA countries, which will nevertheless still be subject to melt and pour requirements.

The Steel Regulation will ensure highly effective protection for the EU's steel industry against the effects of global overcapacity, contributing to its long-term viability and sustainability. Such a measure was necessary in view of the unsustainable level of global overcapacity and the growing amount of trade restrictive measures in third countries, resulting in trade diversion into the EU market.

## For more information

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