

ANNOUNCEMENT



Dear Valued Customers,

ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE MALAYSIA – UNITED ARAB EMIRATES COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMICS PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (MY-UAE CEPA) FOR MALAYSIA

The Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry (MITI) is pleased to announce that the Malaysia–United Arab Emirates Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (MY-UAE CEPA) will officially enter into force for Malaysia on **1 October 2025**. From this date, Malaysian exporters will be able to apply for the Preferential Certificate of Origin (PCO) for exports to the United Arab Emirates (UAE).

The MY-UAE CEPA marks a significant milestone as **Malaysia's first free trade agreement with a Middle Eastern country**. The Agreement is expected to enhance bilateral economic cooperation, strengthen trade routes, and expand market access. The UAE, a major trading hub for the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region, will serve as a strategic gateway for Malaysian exporters seeking to tap into wider regional markets.

Application procedures for PCO under the MY-UAE CEPA are consistent with those of other implemented Free Trade Agreements. Exporters may submit applications via the ePCO system. Approved **Form MY-UAE** must be printed on ISO A4 size white paper with an electronically affixed signature and official seal. Exporters are required to retain a copy of the Form for at least three (3) years and submit endorsed copies of the PCO to MITI or the nearest MITI Regional Offices on a monthly basis.

Should there be any further clarification required, please email to pco@miti.gov.my and allfta3@miti.gov.my.

Thank you.

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