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TIPS FOR COMPLIANCE

WITH U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION (CBP) REGULATIONS

1) MAINTAIN DETAILED AND ACCURATE RECORDS

Ensure all records related to your imports are complete and accurate. This includes invoices, packing lists, and shipping documents. Accurate records are essential for demonstrating compliance during audits or inspections.

2) UNDERSTAND AND CLASSIFY YOUR GOODS PROPERLY

Correctly classify your goods under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS). Misclassification can lead to delays, fines, or penalties. Regularly review classifications to ensure they are up to date.

3) IMPLEMENT ROBUST INTERNAL CONTROLS

Establish internal controls and standard operating procedures (SOPs) for handling imports. This includes having checks and balances to ensure compliance with all CBP regulations.

4) STAY INFORMED ABOUT REGULATORY CHANGES

Keep abreast of changes in customs regulations and procedures. Subscribe to CBP updates and participate in industry webinars or training sessions to stay informed.

5) SEEK EXPERT ASSISTANCE WHEN NEEDED

If you are unsure where to start with maintaining compliance obligations or if you encounter issues, seek help from a lawyer with a strong background in customs regulations. They can provide valuable guidance and help resolve any compliance challenges.