

# FOEN - Mercury

## 1. General

### 1.1 The issue at hand

Mercury poses severe problems to human health and the environment, which is why its use is regulated. Anyone who imports or exports mercury requires an authorisation from the [FOEN](#).

### 1.2 Basis and information

- Chemical Risk Reduction Ordinance (ORRChem; [SR 814.81](#)); Annex 1.7

### 1.3 Reference in Tares

Tariff items that are relevant from a mercury regulation perspective contain the note «Authorisation obligation: FOEN-Hg».

## 2. Information in the customs/goods declaration

Anyone importing or exporting mercury must provide an indication in the goods declaration regarding the restriction obligation and enter the FOEN authorisation.

<b>Identification</b> Regulation	Passar:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Regulation 1 (yes)</li><li>- Regulation code 414 «FOEN - Mercury»</li></ul>
	e-dec:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Authorisation obligation «yes»</li><li>- Authorising authority «FOEN-Hg»</li></ul>
<b>Additional information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Authorisation number</li><li>- Authorisation holder<sup>1</sup></li><li>- Authorisation item number<sup>1</sup></li></ul>

## 3. Further information

It is prohibited to export goods that contain mercury. These include the following, for example:

- barometers
- instruments for determining the softening point
- hygrometers
- strain gauges for use in plethysmographs
- manometers
- pycnometers
- relays
- sphygmomanometers
- tensiometers
- thermometers of all kinds

<sup>1</sup> Only for declarations in the Passar system