

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 a permit 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 «Permit 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.

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

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