

**WASHINGTON STATE POTATO COMMISSION**  
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- ◆ Objection: to work on market access issues to eliminate trade & tariff barriers for processed and fresh potatoes

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*Summary of trade issues relating to processed potato products that the WSPC is working on:*

- ◆ Mexico Tariff Rate Quota on Frozen French Fries: 8% tariff in quota (3,600 MT), 20% over quota
- ◆ Thailand Tariff on Frozen French Fries: 45% or \$1.83/lb, whichever is greater
- ◆ Vietnam Tariff on Frozen French Fries: 50%
- ◆ India Tariff on Frozen French Fries: 40%
- ◆ China Tariff on Frozen French Fries: 25% (will drop to 13% by 2004 if China can enter WTO)
- ◆ Korea Tariff on Dehy Potato Products: 9% tariff in quota (60 MT), 57% over quota

*Summary of trade issues relating to fresh potatoes that the WSPC is working on:*

- ◆ Taiwan Quota: 5000 MT Quota (approximately 300 to 500 acres)
- ◆ Taiwan Chemical Residue Issues: Sprout Nip and Temik do not have tolerances in Taiwan
- ◆ British Columbia Anti-Dumping Order: BC has placed anti-dumping duties on Washington fresh potatoes
- ◆ Chinese Phyto Restrictions: Yellow dwarf virus, Potato wart
- ◆ Japanese Phyto Restrictions: Golden nematode, Potato Wart
- ◆ Thailand Tariffs: 125% tariff on fresh potato imports
- ◆ Mexico Phyto Restrictions: Columbia root knot nematode
- ◆ Korea Tariff Rate Quota: 30% tariff in quota (14,000 MT), 321% over quota
- ◆ Panama Tariffs: 87%
- ◆ Philippines Tariff Rate Quota: 45% tariff in quota (100 MT), 60% over quota