

## **NORTH HAMPSHIRE INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTRE**

### **FACT SHEET: European Community Certificates of Origin**

Proof of origin is often required by overseas buyers and Customs authorities, and the officially recognised document for this purpose is the Certificate of Origin.

NHCCI, in co-operation with Portsmouth and South East Hampshire Chamber of Commerce & Industry, offers a same-day certification service for European Community (EC) Certificates of Origin. This means that documents are processed on the day we receive them and are returned by first class post. We also offer a while-you-wait service.

When establishing origin, there are clearly defined rules that need to be complied with, and the Chamber has a responsibility to ensure the accuracy of the documents before certification can be carried out. We are therefore pleased to offer advice and assistance on how to complete the documents.

The Chamber is able to certify EC Certificates of Origin as well as other commercial documents such as invoices, agreements, test certificates and health certificates. Prices are available on request.

Blank Certificate of Origin forms can be purchased from NHCCI's International Trade Centre.

Electronic processing of EC Certificates of Origin is available through the E-Cert system.

**For further information, contact the International Trade Centre on  
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