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EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)

An Introduction for Leaders

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01 Introduction to RESETcarbon

We're on a mission.

We believe that we can drive meaningful carbon reductions at scale through expertise, collaboration, and vision.

Urgent commitment and immediate action are required to tackle climate change, and we believe our team of engineers and environmental consultants can make a significant difference.

We believe that a sustainable future is possible if we work collaboratively to create positive change.



Liam Salter CEO, RESET Carbon

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02 What is CBAM?

What is the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)?

Environmental policy enacted under the *EU Green Deal*, mandating companies to purchase certificates priced based on 'embedded carbon' of imported products



Aims to equalize the carbon price paid for products manufactured in EU countries and global competitors



Targets specific goods which have a high carbon impact and are covered by EU emissions trading scheme

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Sends a strong signal to global manufacturers that they should decarbonize

The CBAM helps avoid 'Carbon Leakage' – relocation of production to countries with lower/no carbon price in place

The CBAM is one of a suite of laws being introduced as part of the 'EU Green Deal'

'Fit for 55' package is policy framework designed to enable 55% emissions reduction by 2030



Image: European Commission

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Pre-CBAM, companies emitting higher than their allowance could avoid buying carbon credits by moving production abroad

Under CBAM, there is no advantage to producing abroad due to CBAM certificates being purchase on import of goods

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CBAM will be implemented in phases, with the first starting in January 2024

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Companies have two years to get a full picture of product emissions before the law is fully enforceable and external verification of data is required

03 What Needs to be Reported?

Under CBAM, Carbon Data Will Need to be Reported for Six Different Product Categories at First

Cement	Steel	Aluminium	Hydrogen	Fertilizers	Electricity
Calcinated Clay	Sintered Ore	Unwrought Aluminium	Hydrogen	Nitric Acid	Electricity Imports
Cement Clinker	Pig Iron	Aluminium products		Urea	
Cement	Ferro-manganese	- Powders/flakes		Ammonia	
Aluminous Cement	Ferro-chromium	- Bars, rods and profiles		Mixed Fertilizers	
	Ferro-nickel	- Wire		- Potassium Nitrates	
	DRI	- Plates, sheets, strips		- Mineral or Chemical	
	Crude Steel	- Foil		Ferninzers	
	Iron or Steel products	- Tubes, pipes, fittings			
	- Includes 34 categories	- Structures			
	finished goods	- Tanks, vats, drums			
		- Others			

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By 2030, the scope is expected to expand to include all industrial sectors, as well as aviation and maritime emissions (both logistics and other voyages)

The EU defines three categories of 'embedded' carbon emissions to be reported under CBAM

Embedded emissions = CO₂ emissions associated with the production of a certain CBAM good

Indirect Carbon Emissions **Direct Carbon Emissions** Precursor Carbon Emissions CO_2 directly released by the facility to Emissions from the production of Embedded emissions of certain produce a product (e.g. from coal electricity used in manufacturing the relevant raw materials/semi-finished burned in thermal processes) product (e.g. to power machinery) goods used in manufacturing the final **CBAM** good Two options to calculate: Three types of electricity covered: Two scenarios: Grid electricity: can calculate emissions Calculation-based approach: take quantities of fuels burned and multiply by from IEA emission factors Produced in the same facility as the EU-published emission factor CBAM good: calculate its direct and Energy produced within the installation: (recommended) indirect carbon emissions in the same use calculation or measurement based way as the CBAM good, and add to the Measurement-based approach: directly approach to find emissions from fuels total. measure concentration of greenhouse burned onsite gases per m³ of flue gas from facility Purchased: direct and indirect carbon Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs): data must be requested from supplier, Use reported emissions from electricity as well as information on the quantity generator and production processes used for manufacture.

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Who is involved in the CBAM reporting process?

Importer – Importing company or representative (whoever submits the customs declaration).

➡ Must submit CBAM report on quarterly basis.

Facility Operator – operates a facility manufacturing CBAM goods outside the EU and has direct access to emissions data.

Independent Verifiers – third parties who offer verification and standardization of industrial data

Customs Authorities – local customs in relevant EU member state

Must monitor carbon emissions and submit data to importer.

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Not required during transitional period, but will be mandatory post-2026.

Check CBAM reports and impose penalties for non-compliance.

I am an importer – how do I know which data to report?

1. Check the CN code of goods being imported	2. Match to EU in- scope product list	3. Check reporting boundaries	4. Report the following data sets
CN codes are allocated to all products being imported. Eligibility for CBAM will be decided based on a list of in-scope CN codes.	The EU publishes a list of all in-scope CN codes which will be regularly updated. Importers should check which of their products are included in this list and report accordingly.	Only emissions from certain industrial processes must be included in the embedded carbon calculation (published in EU guidance). Importers should check which processes are used to manufacture CBAM goods and precursors.	 For in-scope products and processes, four data sets must be reported: Total quantity of each type of goods Total embedded emissions Total indirect emissions Carbon price in country of origin

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What if I can't get the data from my suppliers?

- To allow for the fact that not all data will be easily available, the EU publishes a list of default values, which can be multiplied with the quantity of goods to approximate embedded emissions.
- These can be used to calculate a total of 20% of reported emissions for each report in the transition period.

I operate a production facility – what data should I measure?

Direct Emissions	Embedded emissions of relevant precursors	Indirect Emissions	Carbon Price in Country of Origin
Direct emissions must	"Relevant Precursors"	Indirect emissions from	Carbon price per ton in
be counted by either	are those which are	both grid and self-	the country of origin must
the calculation or	also CBAM goods.	generated electricity.	be communicated.
measurement method If various products are manufactured in a	Their direct emissions should be reported as part of the total	Again, allocation is needed based on the different CBAM goods produced in the plant.	This will not change based on the product, but correct price must be used.
facility, emissions	embedded emissions	Indirect emissions from	Carbon costs incurred by precursor manufacturers included.
must be allocated	of the final CBAM	relevant precursors must	
accordingly	good.	also be included	

How do I find the Carbon Price for the Chinese Market?

- China has both national and local carbon markets in which different companies trade.
- Carbon price to be used still under clarification, but many CBAM goods still not covered at all by market in which case no carbon price would be due.

04 How will the law roll-out?

What are the financial penalties for non-compliance?

Financial penalties may apply where:

- Importer has not taken steps to report their emissions via a CBAM report
- CBAM report is incomplete or incorrect, and importer has not corrected it after feedback from authorities

Financial penalties are likely to be between 10 - 50 EUR per tonne of unreported emissions.

For a company importing embedded emissions of 500kt per year (e.g. a mid-sized European multinational), missing 10% of reported emissions, this means a penalty of 2.5 mio EUR.

Note: CBAM reports must be filed for CBAM goods valued at over 150 EUR in a single consignment. E.g. if a single pack of screws is included as spare parts with a non-CBAM piece of equipment, they do not need to be reported.

How will the scope of the law expand in the future?

CBAM is not static, and the requirements will get progressively more stringent with time

Jan 2024:

First CBAM report due covering Q4 of 2023. No real supplier emissions data yet required, default values can be used to calculate 100%. No CBAM certificate purchase needed.

Jan 2026:

Transition period ends. Importers must externally verify product emissions data, and purchase CBAM certificates. EU ETS allowances gradually decrease.

Oct 2024:

Fourth CBAM report due covering Q3 of 2024. Real supplier data expected for 80% of covered emissions. Still no external verification or CBAM certificate purchase needed.

Jan 2034:

Full implementation. CBAM goods categories expanded to energy-intensive industry sectors, including oil refineries, steel works, and production of, lime, glass, ceramics, pulp, paper, cardboard, acids and bulk organic chemicals. Aviation and marine emissions also included. ETS allowances reach minimum.

05 Recommended Next Steps

During Transition Period, Importers and Facility Operators Should get used to tracking Carbon data in required format

Key objective is to start filing reports, observing and fixing challenges within the reporting process

Importers

- 1. Fully map your CBAM goods and suppliers on a product-level
- 2. Assign internal roles and responsibilities for data gathering and train team
- 3. Test data collection processes with key suppliers during transition period

Facility Operators

- 1. Understand which CBAM goods/relevant precursors pass through your plant
- 2. Assess current data availability and put in actions to improve transparency
- 3. Work with leading customers to streamline data collection and communication

CBAM will require close collaboration with international suppliers/customers. Relationships will be key to successful execution.

Thank-You!

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