



Getting Started with TariffDecoder

Overview

TariffDecoder helps importers quickly identify applicable U.S. import tariff rates based on HTS code and country of origin. The platform supports both single lookups and spreadsheet-based bulk uploads.

Note: Paid plans are for access to the bulk upload feature. Single lookup mode is free for all registered users.

To get started, you'll need:

- 10-digit HTS code
- Country of origin for each item

Creating an Account

1. Visit www.tariffdecoder.com and navigate to the "Tariff Tool" page.
2. Register and sign in
3. When prompted, select how you would like to start:

- Paid Plan (Immediate Access)
- Free Trial

This is a screenshot of the 'Authentication' page on the TariffDecoder website. At the top, there's a header with a padlock icon and the word 'Authentication'. Below this, there are two tabs: 'Login' and 'Register'. A red arrow points to the 'Register' tab. Under the 'Register' tab, there are two input fields: 'Email' and 'Password'. The 'Password' field has a toggle icon (an eye) to its right. At the bottom of the form, there are three buttons: 'Login', 'Forgot Password?', and 'Register' (which is partially obscured by the 'Forgot Password?' button).This is a screenshot of the 'Authentication' page on the TariffDecoder website, showing the plan selection step. At the top, there's a header with a padlock icon and the word 'Authentication'. Below this, there's a dark blue button that says 'Logged in as support@tariffdecoder.com'. Underneath, it says 'Please choose a plan to access the app:'. There's a section titled 'Available plans' with a dropdown menu showing 'Pro (20 Uploads/500 Rows)'. Below the dropdown, there are two buttons: 'Proceed with Plan' and 'Logout'. At the bottom, there's a message: 'Welcome to TariffDecoder! Please select a plan to begin.'

Choosing How to Start

When you first sign in, TariffDecoder allows you to choose **one of two paths**. Both lead to the same paid plans — the difference is when checkout occurs.

Option 1: Start with a Paid Plan (Immediate Access)

- Select a paid plan when prompted after registering and signing in
- Complete checkout
- Bulk uploads are available immediately based on the selected plan

This option is recommended if:

- You already know your expected upload volume
- You want full access right away without trial limits

Option 2: Start with the Free Trial

- Select the Free Trial when prompted after registering and signing in
- Trial access includes:
 - **2 uploads**
 - **Up to 10 rows per upload**

The free trial is intended to validate:

- Output format
- Tariff coverage
- Workflow fit

After the two trial uploads are used:

- The app will prompt you again to select a paid plan
- You can then complete checkout and continue with larger uploads

Preparing Your Spreadsheet for Upload

To use the bulk upload feature, your spreadsheet must include the following **exact column headings**:

Required Columns

- **10-digit HTS code** - Enter the U.S. HTS code for each item.

- **Country** - Country of origin for each item.

Optional Columns

- **Item Number** – Your internal part number (included in output for your reference).
- **Content %** (optional – for Section 232 steel & copper items)
- **Shipment Value** (optional – for est. landed cost calculation)

Column names must match **exactly** as shown above for the file to be accepted.

Supported file formats: **.xlsx** and **.csv**

Paid Plans & Mass Upload Access

Paid plans unlock:

- Larger spreadsheet uploads
- Ongoing access without row limits per trial
- Repeated analysis across multiple countries of origin

For most bulk-use cases, the **Pro plan** is a common starting point.

Payment & Billing

- Subscriptions are billed **monthly**
- Checkout is handled securely through Stripe
- If you need to change or cancel a subscription, please contact support@tariffdecoder.com.

Need Help?

If you have questions during signup, spreadsheet formatting, or plan selection, contact: support@tariffdecoder.com

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