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Binding Tariff Information: BTI-01/2024

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BINDING TARIFF INFORMATION - SEYCHELLES								
Customs Management (Tariff and Classification of Goods) Regulations, 2018								
Tariff Classification	Customs Import Duty	FTA		EU/UK	Excise Tax	VAT	Sugar Tax	Levy
		COMESA	SADC					
9027.8000 OXYGUARD HANDY PH PORTABLE PH/REDOX METER	0%	0%	0%	0%	N/A	0%	N/A	N/A
9011.1000 TRINOCULAR STEREOZOOM MICROSCOPE	0%	0%	0%	0%	N/A	15%	N/A	N/A
9011.9000 USB 3.0 C-MOUNT AND EYE PIECE MICROSCOPE CAMERA	0%	0%	0%	0%	N/A	15%	N/A	N/A
9011.1000 BINOCULAR MICROSCOPE	0%	0%	0%	0%	N/A	15%	N/A	N/A
REMARKS:								
The specifications for the provided on finished product specification documents for binding tariff information by the applicant to Classification, Valuation and Rules of Origin unit details;								

1. **Product name:** Oxyguard handy Ph portable pH/ Redox meter
Description: This is a handheld pocket size ph or redox meter designed for use in demanding, wet environments. The meter itself and the electrode assembly are waterproof.
Specifications:
Operating conditions: probe : 0 to 60 °C, meter -20 to +60°C
Waterproof to max. 5m short-term
Measuring range: Ph: 1 to 15 ph. Redox: +/- 1999Mv
Cable length: 1.5 meters
Accuracy: depends on calibration accuracy
Repeatability: typically better than +/- 0.5%
Response time: to 90% in less than 10 sec

2. **Product name:** Trinocular stereo zoom microscope
Description: type: trinocular
Construction material: Aluminium & plastic molds/aluminium gears
Magnification: 10x

3. **Product name:** USB 3.0 C-mount and eye piece microscope camera
Dimensions: 68x68x46mm
Weight: 0.28kg
Camera resolution (no of pixels :W X H): 3584x2748
Color/monochrome: Color
PC Camera resolution (MP): 10

4. **Product name:** Binocular microscope
Type: Binocular (siedentopf)
Inclination: 30°
360° rotating: Yes
Interpupillary distance (mm): 55-75
Field number : 18mm
Magnification: 10x

The applicable heading for the **OXYGUARD HANDY PH PORTABLE PH/REDOX METER** is **90.27** and was further classified under **9027.8000- Other instruments & apparatus for measuring quantities of heat/sound/light**

9027-Instruments and apparatus for physical or chemical analysis (for example, polarimeters, refractometers, spectrometers, gas or smoke analysis apparatus: instruments and apparatus for measuring or checking viscosity, porosity, expansion, surface tension or the like: instruments and apparatus for measuring or checking quantities of heat, sound or light (including exposure meters) microtomes.

This heading includes:

(22) pH meters and Rh (redoxpotential) meters.

Ph meters are used to measure the factor expressing the acidity or alkalinity of a solution or mixture (pure water being the neutral standard). Rh meters are used to measure the oxidising or reducing power of a solution. These instruments operate on a number of different principles; the most common type employs the electrometric system, in which electrodes are used to set up a potential difference which is proportional to the Ph or Rh of the solution. In the addition to measuring, these instruments may also be used for automatic control.

The applicable heading for the **TRINOCULAR STEREOZOOM & BINOCULAR MICROSCOPES and USB 3.0 C-MOUNT AND EYEPIECE MICROSCOPE CAMERA** is **90.11** and was further classified according to their constituent material.

9011-Compound optical microscopes, including those for photomicrography, cinephotomicrography or micro projection.

A compound optical microscope normally comprises:

- (i) An optical system consisting essentially of an objective designed to produce a magnified image of the object, and an eyepiece which further magnifies the observed image. The optical system usually also incorporates provision for illuminating the object from below (by means of a mirror illuminated by an external or an internal light source), and a set of condenser lenses which direct the beam of light from the mirror on to the object).
- (ii) A specimen stage, one or two eyepiece-holder tubes (according to whether the microscope is the monocular or binocular type), and an objective-holder (generally revolving)

The whole is fixed on a stand to which a limb or bracket and various adjusting accessories may be attached.

This heading covers microscopes as used by amateurs, teachers, etc., and those for industrial use or for research laboratories; they remain in the heading whether or not they are presented with their optical elements (objectives, eyepieces, mirrors, etc.). The heading includes universal microscopes; polarising microscopes; metallurgical microscopes; stereoscopic microscopes; phase contrast and interference microscopes; reflecting microscopes, microscopes with drawing attachments; special microscopes for examining clock or watch jewels; microscopes with heating or freezing stages.

PARTS AND ACCESSORIES

Subject to the provisions of Notes 1 and 2 to this Chapter (see the general explanatory note), parts and accessories identifiable as being solely or principally for use with microscopes are also classified here. These include:

Stands (brackets, bases, etc); eyepiece-holder tubes and revolving objective-holder tubes (whether or not with lenses); specimen stages (including heating or freezing stages); specimen-guides; optical attachments enabling the image to be sketched; diaphragm-adjusting levers; etc.

Reference; World Customs Organisation Harmonised Commodity Description and Coding System, Explanatory Notes, Sixth Edition (2017) Volume 5.

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 - (b)** Where it is no longer compatible with the legal interpretative rules for tariff classification of goods set out in the regulations;
 - (c)** Where it is revoked or amended provided the revocation or amendment is notified by regulations.
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