§ 147.0 Scope.

This part governs the entry of merchandise intended for exhibition or for use in constructing, installing, or maintaining foreign exhibits at trade fairs which have been so designated by the Secretary of Commerce. It also contains provisions concerning Customs supervision of the merchandise, and the disposition of the merchandise after the fair has closed. The entry of articles which may be admitted free of duty under other provisions of this chapter may be governed by those provisions rather than the regulations in this part.

Subpart A—General Provisions

§ 147.1 Definitions.

The following are general definitions for the purposes of part 147:


(b) Fair. “Fair” means a fair, exhibition, or exposition designated by the Secretary of Commerce pursuant to the Trade Fair Act.

(c) Fair operator. “Fair operator” means the party named by the Secretary of Commerce as the operator of the fair.

(d) Port. “Port” means the port at which the fair is to be held, or if the fair is not to be held within the limits of a port, the port nearest to the location of the fair.

(e) Closing date. “Closing date” means the date designated by the Secretary of Commerce as the date when the fair will close, including any extension granted by the Secretary of Commerce, or, if the fair closes earlier, the date on which the fair actually closes.

(f) Articles for a fair. “Articles for a fair” includes, but is not limited to:

(1) Actual exhibit items;

(2) Pamphlets, brochures, and explanatory material in reasonable quantities relating to foreign exhibits at a fair;

(3) Material for use in constructing, installing, or maintaining foreign exhibits at a fair.


§ 147.2 Articles which may be entered for a fair.

(a) General. Any article imported or brought into the United States may be entered under bond under the regulations of this part for the purpose of exhibition at a fair, or for use in constructing, installing, or maintaining foreign exhibits at a fair, if no duty or internal revenue tax has been paid, and the article is:

(1) In a foreign-trade zone; or

(2) Imported for exhibition under Chapter 98, Subchapter XII, Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States; or

(3) In continuous Customs custody, including but not limited to articles:

(i) Imported or brought into the United States for the purpose of direct entry at a particular fair;

(ii) In Customs bonded warehouses;

(iii) Unentered under the Customs laws and held in general order pending entry or exportation;

(iv) On exhibition at another fair designated by the Secretary of Commerce.

(b) Exception. Articles which have been entered under Chapter 98, Subchapter XIII, HTSUS, may not be entered under the regulations of this part.


§ 147.3 Bond required.

The fair operator shall file a bond on Customs Form 301, containing the bond conditions set forth in §113.62 of this chapter in such amount as the port director requires. Liquidated damages shall be assessed by the port director under the bond if payments required by §§147.33, 147.41 or 147.43 are not paid upon demand.


Subpart B—Procedure for Importation

§ 147.11 Entry.

(a) Made in name of fair operator. All entries of articles for a fair shall be made at the port in the name of the fair operator which shall be deemed for Customs purposes the sole consignee of the merchandise entered under the Act