

Issue: Classification of Uncooked Rice Vermicelli

Item at issue: Uncooked Rice Stick, Rice Vermicelli



Possible classification: Sub-Heading 1902.19.20 or Sub-Heading 1902.19.90

Matters under consideration:

- Sub-Heading 1902.19.20: Vermicelli
- Sub-Heading 1902.19.90: Other

Description of goods:

Uncooked Rice Stick also called Rice Vermicelli, of a net weight of 400 g, containing rice flour and water. The sticks are soaked in hot water until they are tender, about 5 minutes, then drained and pat dry.

Basis of ruling:

The item at issue is uncooked rice vermicelli, containing rice flour and water. It is a product made from rice flour that conforms with the general note to Heading 19.02, *“The pasta of this heading is unfermented products made from semolinas or flours of wheat, maize, rice, potatoes, etc. The products are usually dried before marketing to facilitate transport, storage and conservation; in this dried form, they are brittle.”*

The goods is marketed as rice vermicelli, therefore it is more appropriate to classify it under sub-heading 1902.19.20 as *“vermicelli”*, instead of sub-heading 1902.19.90, by application of GIRs 1 and 6.