

What is a Foreign Trade Zone?

A Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) is a secure area of land under U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) supervision but considered outside of Customs territory for import tax (duty) requirements. Companies can utilize FTZs to eliminate, reduce or postpone import taxes on approved goods within the zone. Goods can be stored, processed, inspected, destroyed or combined with other products while in the zone which can provide significant cost-savings or improved cash-flow.

Why Ports of Indiana?

With it's central location, Indiana is recognized as the Crossroads of America, ranking 8th in the nation for FTZ activity. The Ports of Indiana locations throughout the state in Burns Harbor, Mount Vernon, and Jeffersonville offer tenants superior infrastructure with access to both rail and barge options.

Benefits of Foreign Trade Zones



Duty/Tariff Advantage

FTZs allow for the possible deferral, reduction, or elimination of duties when certain conditions are met.



Reduced Merchandise Processing Fee

FTZs users with weekly entry approval only pay Merchandise Processing Fees (MPF) once per week versus on each importation.



Logistic Efficiencies

Direct delivery of components to convenient port locations help reduce transportation costs.

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