

Steel Overcapacity Regulation: Targeted Consultation opened until 30 September 2026 on the first product scope review



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On 30 July 2026, the European Commission opened a [targeted consultation](#) seeking information and views from stakeholders to identify the product groups that should be included in the scope of the new [EU Steel Overcapacity Regulation](#) (Regulation (EU) 2026/1384). The consultation, which is the first of several product scope reviews foreseen under the Regulation, will run for eight weeks **from 30 July to 30 September 2026**.

The EU Steel Overcapacity Regulation, which has applied since 1 July 2026, sets free-of-duty quotas at 18.3 million tons across 26 product categories, with a 50% duty for out-of-quota imports and a melt-and-pour regime to enhance transparency. Under Article 12.1 of the Regulation, the Commission must assess, by 31 December 2026, the necessity of amending the Regulation's product scope to include products in the following categories, identified by their Combined Nomenclature (CN) codes:

- Tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of cast iron (7303 00 10, 7303 00 90)
- Non-alloy and other alloy wire (7229 20 00, 7229 90 20, 7229 90 50, 7229 90 90);
- Stainless wire (7223 00 11, 7223 00 19, 7223 00 91, 7223 00 99); and
- Non-alloy and other alloy forged bars (7214 10 00, 7228 10 50, 7228 40 10, 7228 40 90).

The consultation serves to gather information that will feed into the Commission's assessment of whether to propose an extension of the product scope to the European Parliament and the Council. **Thus, interested parties are invited to provide their feedback to the Commission by 30 September 2026 via this link (see [here](#)).** Particularly concerned stakeholders would be steel producers (upstream), steel users (downstream), importers of steel, trader of steel, consultants, legal practitioners, business associations, employer's associations, academic and research institutes, governments of EU Member States, third country governments, and national customs authorities.

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