



Foreign-Trade Zone No. 9

## FTZ Savings at Your Location Through New Alternative Site Framework

### ➤ New Alternative Site Framework for Hawaii Companies

FTZ9 announces a new program for all Hawaii businesses. Now any company can save on import duties at your own locations through ASF (Alternative Site Framework). If your business pays import duties, ask your customs broker how FTZ9 can help.

### ➤ FTZ Benefits

- **Elimination of Duties**—no duties on items exported from an FTZ, or scrapped, wasted, destroyed or consumed in an FTZ
- **Deferral of Duties**—deferred duties, paid only when and if item is transferred into the U.S. Customs territory, with no time limit.
- **Reduction of Duties**—If the rate on the foreign inputs admitted to the Zone is higher than the rate applied to the finished product, the FTZ user may choose the finished product rate, thereby reducing the amount of duty owed.
- **Taxes**—Tangible personal property imported from outside the U.S. and held in a Zone, or produced in the U.S. and held in a Zone for exportation, are not subject to State and local ad valorem taxes.
- **Quotas**—U.S. quota restrictions do not apply to merchandise admitted to FTZs, although quotas will apply if and when the merchandise is subsequently entered into U.S. commerce. Merchandise subject to quota, with the permission of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board, may be substantially transformed in a FTZ to a non-quota article that may then be entered into U.S. commerce, free of quota restrictions. Quota merchandise may be stored in a FTZ so that when the quota opens, the merchandise may be immediately shipped into U.S. Customs and Border Protection territory.

**Save on  
Import  
Tariffs and  
Duties**

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# On-Site FTZ ASF Application Process

## ➤ FTZ9 Facilitates ASF Application Process

FTZ9 is responsible for submitting applications to the U.S. Foreign-Trade Zones Board on behalf of all applicants. Qualified FTZ9 staff can guide your team through all stages of the ASF application. FTZ9 is a supportive partner to all private FTZ sites in Hawaii.

## ➤ Determine Potential Savings

Your customs broker and finance team can determine potential net savings of an FTZ at your location. They can check the frequency, volume, and duty rate of the merchandise you import to see if it financially makes sense for you to use Foreign-Trade Zone procedures in your business.

## ➤ Align and Document Internal Processes with FTZ and Customs Requirements

U.S. Customs must concur with the application and your company’s ability to abide by relevant CBP regulations and procedures. Operations manuals are required to cover, in detail, zone usage and security; approved authorities, transportation providers and truckers; daily control processes including personnel, inventory control, and record keeping. Inspections and visits by FTZ and U.S. Customs are integral to all applications.

## ➤ Application Submission and Registration

The ASF application form is an accelerated process to gain an FTZ designation. A formal decision on a completed application by the U.S. Foreign-Trade Zones Board can take up to four (4) months or as little as 30 days. Upon authorization to operate an on-site FTZ, the company is listed in the Federal Register as a zone site. There are no application fees required by the FTZ Board or FTZ9.

# Activities Permitted in a Foreign-Trade Zone

## Merchandise entering a Foreign-Trade Zone may be:

Assembled	Repackaged	Tested	Stored
Destroyed	Sampled	Salvaged	Mixed
Manufactured*	Relabeled	Processed	Manipulated

*\*The user must receive special approval from the FTZ Board for manufacturing.*

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