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Notification No. 05/2026-Customs (ADD) excludes lithograde aluminum coils over 1150 mm wide from the anti-dumping duty on flat rolled aluminum from China.

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The notification recites how the change came about. The designated authority, the Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR), recommended the duty in its final findings, notification No. 6/27/2020-DGTR, dated September 7, 2021. In pursuance of the order of the Delhi High Court dated July 7, 2025, it amended those findings by notification No. 6/27/2020-DGTR, dated December 10, 2025, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part I, Section 1, the same day, "so as to exclude 'Lithograde Aluminium Coils of width above 1150 mm' from the scope of the product under consideration". The Central Government made the amendment after considering that recommendation.

The change is one line. In Notification No. 68/2021, "after the TABLE and before paragraph 2, after item (ii)", it inserts: "iii. Lithograde Aluminium Coils of width above 1150 mm." Items (i) and (ii) are the two exclusions the 2021 notification already listed under its table: "Can-body Stock", which "also includes Can End Stock (CES) used to make aluminium cans", and "Aluminium Foil up to 80 microns". The duty table itself is not changed. It sets USD 65 per MT for two producers, nil for two others, and USD 449 per MT for all other producers and for goods exported from China that originate elsewhere.

The notification sets no date of its own from which the exclusion applies, and it does not say whether it reaches goods imported before it was published. It does not define lithograde aluminum coils or say how the width is to be measured. Notification No. 68/2021 makes the duty effective for five years from its publication in the Official Gazette, unless revoked, superseded or amended earlier. It was published on December 6, 2021, and DGTR's sunset review findings state that the duty is in force until December 5, 2026.

DGTR's sunset review final findings of September 3, 2026 (F. No. 7/11/2026-DGTR, Case No. AD (SSR)-07/2026) recommend continuing the duty for a further five years with the lithograde exclusion kept, and CBIC's list of anti-dumping notifications showed no notification continuing it as of October 28, 2026.

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Amends	Notification No. 68/2021-Customs (ADD), G.S.R. 847(E), December 6, 2021
Applies to	Imports of ‘Certain Flat Rolled Products of Aluminium’ under chapter heading 7606 or 7607, originating in or exported from China
Excluded	"Lithograde Aluminium Coils of width above 1150 mm", inserted as item iii after the table
Already excluded	Item (i) "Can-body Stock", which also includes Can End Stock (CES); item (ii) "Aluminium Foil up to 80 microns"
Basis	Delhi High Court order of July 7, 2025; DGTR amendment notification No. 6/27/2020-DGTR, December 10, 2025
Takes effect	Not stated; published April 17, 2026
Duty runs	Five years from publication on December 6, 2021, unless revoked, superseded or amended earlier; in force until December 5, 2026, as DGTR's sunset review findings state
Duty rates	Unchanged: USD 65 per MT for two producers, nil for two, USD 449 per MT for all others
Later	DGTR sunset review final findings, F. No. 7/11/2026-DGTR, September 3, 2026: five more years recommended, lithograde exclusion kept; not notified by October 28, 2026
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Signed by	Dheeraj Sharma, Under Secretary

The notification (PDF, 1.1 MB)

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