



| Hdg No. | AHTN 2022 Code | Description                            | MFN Rates of Duty (%) |                |                |                |                         |      |
|---------|----------------|--|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|------|
|         |                |  | 2024<br>01 Jan        | 2025<br>21 Jun | 2026<br>21 Dec | 2027<br>01 Jan | 2028<br>Starting 01 Jan | 2029 |
| 01.01   |                | Live horses, asses, mules and hinnies. |                       |                |                |                |                         |      |
|         |                | - Horses                               | 3                     | 3              | 3              | 3              | 3                       | 3    |
|         |                | ... Pure-bred breeding animals         | 3                     | 3              | 3              | 3              | 3                       | 3    |
|         |                | ... Other                              | 7                     | 7              | 7              | 7              | 7                       | 7    |
|         |                | - Asses                                | 5                     | 5              | 5              | 5              | 5                       | 5    |
|         |                | ... Pure-bred breeding animals         | 5                     | 5              | 5              | 5              | 5                       | 5    |
|         |                | ... Other                              | 5                     | 5              | 5              | 5              | 5                       | 5    |
|         |                | - Other                                | 3                     | 3              | 3              | 3              | 3                       | 3    |
| 01.02   |                | Live bovine animals.                   |                       |                |                |                |                         |      |
|         |                | - Cattle                               | 0                     | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0                       | 0    |
|         |                | ... Pure-bred breeding animals         | 0                     | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0                       | 0    |
|         |                | ... Other                              | 0                     | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0                       | 0    |
|         |                | - ... Male cattle                      | 3                     | 3              | 3              | 3              | 3                       | 3    |
|         |                | ... - Oxen                             | 3                     | 3              | 3              | 3              | 3                       | 3    |
|         |                | ... - Cows                             | 3                     | 3              | 3              | 3              | 3                       | 3    |
|         |                | ... - Other                            | 3                     | 3              | 3              | 3              | 3                       | 3    |

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