



# Certificate of Origin Online Verification

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## About American World Trade Chamber of Commerce

AWTCC, a non-profit organization headquartered in New York, provides international trade solutions for exporters through its online document certification program and by promoting international standards and best practices. In addition, AWTCC provides certification education to chambers throughout the United States.

We're dedicated to increasing American exports and helping American Exporters. American exports, including products designed in the U.S. and manufactured abroad, represent some of the most sophisticated products in the world. By joining together, our chamber partners and members learn how to better and more efficiently move those products around the world.

AWTCC processes Certificates of Origin, Certificates of Free Sale, Apostilles and other export documents for U.S. companies. As the only ICC accredited U.S. Chamber, our seal is recognized and accepted worldwide as part of the ICC *International Quality Label* program.



Chamber professional certification staff hold a Certificate of Training from the World Chambers

Federation of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) in Paris, France.

AWTCC's President is the U.S. delegate to the Certificate of Origin Council of the ICC World Chambers Federation.

**Our services are used by exporters and freight forwarders throughout the United States. As a national Chamber, we make our services available through local city and state Chambers of Commerce and their members.**

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## The need for Certificate Verification

Every month, numerous customs officials, consulates, banks, importers and other parties verify the genuineness of AWTCC Certificates of Origin by visiting the ICC verification website at [certificates.iccwbo.org](http://certificates.iccwbo.org).

Unfortunately, fraudulent or altered Certificates of Origin, as well as documents issued by "Chambers" that don't exist, are a continuing problem in international trade. Sometimes, Chamber names are real, but stamps applied are fake, or not applied by the Chamber itself.

**AWTCC helps protect against certificate fraud.**

## How to verify a Certificate of Origin

1. Visit [certificates.iccwbo.com](http://certificates.iccwbo.com)
2. At the left of the screen, for "Issuing Countries" select "United States of America".
3. Under "Select the accredited chamber of commerce" look up "American World Trade Chamber of Commerce".
4. In "CO Number or CO Reference Number", enter the number that is shown in red at the top right of the form. Include the prefix and dashes, e.g. AW-00-00000.
5. In "Date", enter the date of the Certificate as shown on the lower left of the form, above the signature. Enter the date in the international numeric format; use the four digit year and include "/" as shown on the web site (dd/mm/yyyy).

**If the Certificate is genuine, you will see a notice indicating the date it was issued and name of the CO Applicant company.** Please be aware the ICC site is updated once a day, so it may be a full day after issuance before the Certificate is visible in the system. Please contact [info@awtcc.org](mailto:info@awtcc.org) in the event of any verification problems or questions.

Note: AWTCC also participates in the private verification site at [www.certificateoforigin.com](http://www.certificateoforigin.com). However, that site provides a courtesy verification only. It is **not** the official ICC verification site for Customs authorities, but shows the full text of the Certificate.