



**FREMONT**  
**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
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## **Certificate of Origin Policy**

The Fremont Chamber of Commerce, as a service to its members, provides Certificates of Origin. This Service is also available to non-members at an increased rate.

Due to recent litigation in this area, Chambers of Commerce have been advised to institute policies and procedures to protect themselves against possible litigation.

### **Procedure:**

Exporting Companies will be asked to sign an agreement indemnifying the Fremont Chamber of Commerce against litigation or threatened litigation relating to the Certificate of Origin. The agreement must be signed annually for each company. If one person owns more than one company, an Indemnity Agreement must be signed for each company or DBA.

Exporting companies will also be required to use a Certificate of Origin form which can be provided by the Chamber. The form must have the following paragraph or it will not be signed by the Fremont Chamber of Commerce.

“The Fremont Chamber of Commerce (“the Chamber”), a recognized Chamber of Commerce under the laws of the State of California, certifies that, according to the best of its knowledge and belief, the products named in this document originated in the United States of America. This certification is made solely in reliance on the exporter’s representation and not on the basis of independent verification by the Chamber. The Chamber assumes no responsibility for the truth or accuracy of any warranty, either expressed or implied, concerning the goods, such affidavit, or any documents relating thereto.”

The Certificate of Origin(s) must be complete when they are brought to the Chamber office for signature. Incomplete forms will not be signed.

### **Service Fee Schedule:**

The service fee for Fremont Chamber of Commerce members is \$2.00 per certificate. The fee for non-members is \$30.00 per certificate.