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Introduction: AGWA's Position

AGWA stands for a **fair and level playing field**, advocating for compliance with Australian standards and World Trade Organisation (WTO) principles.

The Association supports ethical global suppliers and strongly opposes any actions that threaten a compliant level playing field and the long-term viability of Australia's window and door sector.



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What Is Dumping?

- Dumping occurs when products are exported at prices **below domestic market rates or the cost of production for the exporting country**, harming local Australian industries.
- The Anti Dumping Commission (ADC) investigates such claims and may impose **dumping duties or countervailing duties** for up to five years



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The Current Case: Manufactured Windows from China

- The Australian Glass & Window Association has initiated the case jointly with Ventora Group Pty Limited, alleging that **fully and partially fabricated Aluminium windows and doors imported from China** have been dumped.
- The application includes evidence on **pricing, volume, and industry impact**
- We already have letters of support from over 50% of the market.



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The Goods Description.

The goods the subject of the application (the goods) are:

Aluminium windows and doors, whether fully or partially assembled, including their frames, panels, and sashes, with or without glass, whether or not thermally broken, whether or not including hardware, up to the following dimensions:

- for window assemblies or partial assemblies (including window frames, panels and sashes), up to and including 3.0 metres high and up to and including 4.0 metres wide; and
- for door assemblies or partial assemblies (including door frames, panels and sashes), up to and including 3.0 metres high and up to and including 7.0 metres wide.

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The Goods Description.

Further Information

“Fully assembled” refers to a complete window or door unit in which all frames and the applicable panels and/or sash are joined together to form a complete and functional window or door assembly, whether or not glazed, whether or not thermally broken, whether or not including hardware.

“Partially assembled” refers to a fabricated aluminium frame, panel, or sash assembly that is supplied individually or connected to other frame, panel, or sash assemblies, where the combination does not yet form a complete window or door unit, whether or not glazed, whether or not thermally broken, whether or not including hardware.

Exclusions

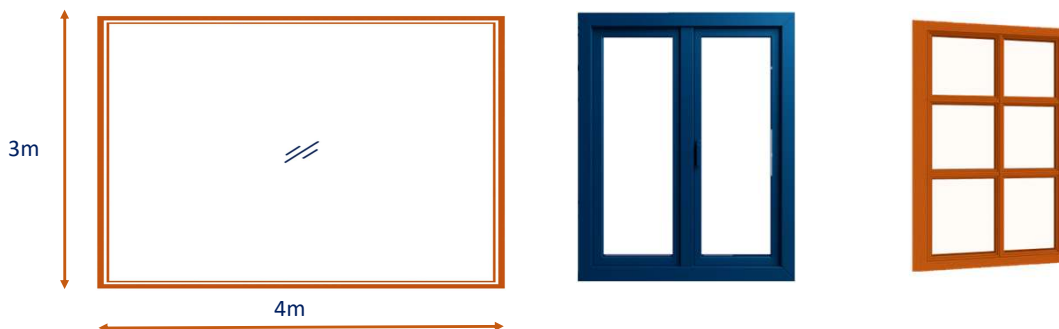
Excluded are curtain wall products.

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Window Assemblies or Partial Assemblies

- 3.0 metres high and up to and including 4.0 metres wide



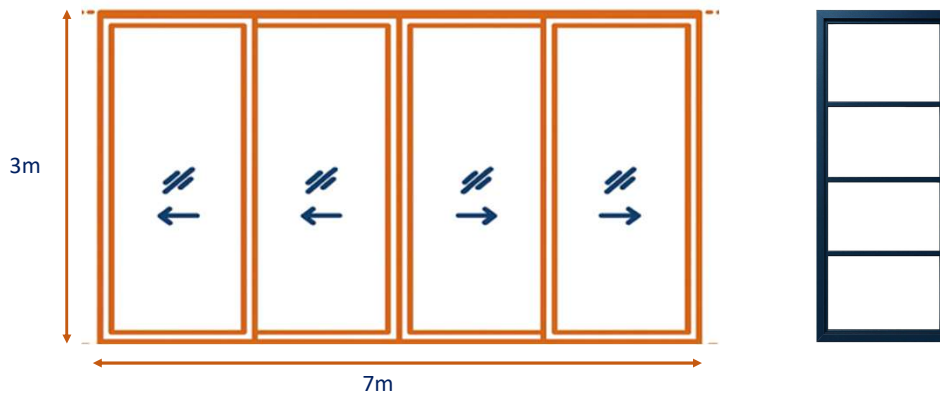
“Partially assembled” means a fabricated aluminium frame, panel, or sash assembly that is supplied individually or connected to other frame, panel, or sash assemblies, where the combination does not yet form a complete window or door unit, whether or not glazed, whether or not thermally broken, whether or not including hardware.

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Door Assemblies or Partial Assemblies (including panels and frames).

up to and including 3.0 metres high and up to and including 7.0 metres wide



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ADC Investigation Process

- **Public notice:** Once accepted, the case enters the public domain(Where we are now)
- **Full investigation:** Up to 18 months, including a Statement of Essential Facts and public submissions (Both for and against).
- **Final decision:** Recommendation to the Federal Minister for Industry, currently Senator Tim Ayres

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What will happen in the next 18mths.

Investigation Timeline

Authorities collect and analyse data to determine:

- Whether **dumping** has occurred (i.e. goods sold below normal value).
- Whether this has caused **material injury** to the domestic industry.

Consideration of Provisional Measures (e.g. interim duties)

Statement of Essential Facts (SEF)

Is issued **before the final determination**.

- Summarises the **key findings and evidence** gathered during the investigation.
- Shared with **interested parties** so they can:
 - Review the findings.
 - Submit comments or rebuttals before a final decision is made.
- Companies that wish to respond to the SEF can do so within the 20-day window.

Final Determination

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Investigation - Dumping and Subsidisation

Key Dates

Initiation Date	25 November 2025	Initial submissions due	2 January 2026
PAD* earliest date	27 January 2026		<i>If a PAD is not made, a Day 60 Status Report will be published on this day.</i>
Proposals to modify the proposed MCC structure due no later than			2 January 2026
SEF** no later than	16 March 2026	SEF submissions due	20 days after publication of SEF
Final recommendation due no later than	29 April 2026	Minister's decision expected	Within 30 days of receiving the recommendation. The final report shall be published following the Minister's decision.
*PAD - Preliminary Affirmative Determination			
**SEF - Statement of Essential Facts			

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Provisional Measures

- A provisional measure is a **temporary duty** imposed by a government on imported goods that are suspected of being **dumped and/or subsidised** — meaning they are sold at a price lower than their normal value, often below the cost of production or domestic market price.

The purpose of a provisional measure is to:

- **Protect domestic industries** from unfair competition.
- **Prevent injury** to local producers.
- Provide a **temporary measure** while a formal investigation is conducted to determine whether **permanent anti-dumping measures** should be applied.

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Interim Dumping Duty (IDD)

- An **Interim Dumping Duty (IDD)** is the final **duty** imposed by a government on imported goods that have been found to be **dumped**—meaning they are sold at a price lower than their normal value, often below the cost of production or domestic market price.

The purpose of an IDD is to:

- **Protect domestic industries** from unfair competition.
- **Prevent injury** to local producers.
- Are imposed for 5 years.

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Interim Countervailing Duty (ICD)

- An **Interim Countervailing Duty (ICD)** is a final **duty** imposed by a government on imported goods that are found to have been **subsidised** by the exporting country's government.

These duties serve to:

- **Neutralise unfair advantages** gained through foreign subsidies.
- **Protect domestic industries** from injury caused by artificially low-priced imports.
- This mechanism is part of trade remedy actions, similar to **Interim Dumping Duties (IDD)**, and is often used in cases where domestic producers are harmed by unfair trade practices.
- Are imposed for 5 years.

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Member Impacts & Considerations

- While most AGWA members will likely support the action, some are Chinese member companies, importers or resellers who may be affected by any imposed duties.
- AGWA aims to **balance advocacy and transparency**, ensuring all members understand the rationale and implications.

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Formal Avenues for Support

Submit a Statement of Support to the Anti-Dumping Commission

- Industry and Members can provide written submissions during the investigation phase, especially after the Statement of Essential Facts is released.
 - These submissions should include:
 - Evidence of price undercutting and market impact
 - Data on volume losses, profit erosion, or competitive disadvantage

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Formal Avenues for Support

At a minimum, Industry and Members who wish to support can contribute to the Electronic Public Record (EPR) to reinforce the case's legitimacy through submitting a proforma letter.

Day / Month / Year

[INSERT YOUR LETTERHEAD]

Mr. David Latina
Anti-Dumping Commissioner
Anti-Dumping Commission
GPO Box 2013
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Commissioner Latina,

Support for the Australian Aluminium Window & Door Fabrication Industry and Anti-Dumping Measures

I am writing on behalf of [Company name], an Australian fabricator of aluminium windows and doors. We wish to express our strong support for Australian-made fabricators of aluminium windows and doors and the businesses that produce them.

Our company values the role of Australian-based fabrication in strengthening local businesses and communities. The benefits of domestic production - economic resilience, job creation, and innovation - are vital to the long-term prosperity of our industry and the nation.

We understand the importance of maintaining a fair and level playing field for manufacturing and business. It is important that there is a strong anti-dumping system available and we are rightly concerned about the impact of unfairly dumped and subsidised products on down-stream sectors like the one we operate in. This is why our Australian industry has taken action.

In this regard, we are supportive of the Australian Glass & Window Association and Ventoro in their application for the imposition of anti-dumping and anti-subsidy measures on fully and partially fabricated aluminium windows and doors imports from China.

The proposed measures are essential to ensuring fair pricing, which we believe will play a critical role in sustaining the competitiveness of Australian window and door manufacturers. We submit that the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commission) will find material injury to the Australian aluminium window and door industry by virtue of Chinese dumping and subsidisation. We urge the Commission to impose preliminary measures as soon as possible.

[Company name] makes itself available to the Commission throughout this trade remedies inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

[Insert signature here]

[Name]
[Title]
[Address]

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Formal Avenues for Objection

Submission to the Anti-Dumping Commission (ADC)

Members can submit **written responses** to the ADC during the investigation phase, especially after the **Statement of Essential Facts (SEF)** is released. These submissions may include:

- Economic impact assessments
- Pricing and volume data
- Arguments against the claim of injury or dumping

The ADC publishes these submissions on its **Electronic Public Record (EPR)**, and they are considered before final determinations

Review by the Anti-Dumping Review Panel

- If a member disagrees with the ADC's final decision, they may apply for a **review** through the **Anti-Dumping Review Panel** within **30 days** of notification.

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International Trade Remedies Advisory Service (ITRA)

- ITRA Service provides **free, confidential assistance** to Australian **small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)** navigating the anti-dumping and countervailing system.
- It is **not part of the Anti-Dumping Commission or the Anti-Dumping Review Panel**, but works independently to support affected businesses.

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Support for Importers:

Preparing applications for:

- Duty assessments
- Exemptions

Assisting with:

- Reviews of measures
- Submissions to the Commission or Review Panel

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To qualify for free ITRA support, your business must:

- Be an **Australian-registered SME** with 200 or fewer full-time staff
- Be involved in **manufacturing or importing** goods affected by the anti-dumping system.
- Be impacted by **proposed duties**, either as:
 - A manufacturer facing competition from dumped goods
 - An importer of the goods in question

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Broader Industry Context

- AGWA has previously supported anti-dumping measures for **aluminium extrusions** and continues to advocate for **fair and sustainable competition**

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