



WE GROW TRADE™

Foreign-Trade Zone 104

secure, efficient and profitable way to compete effectively in domestic and global markets.

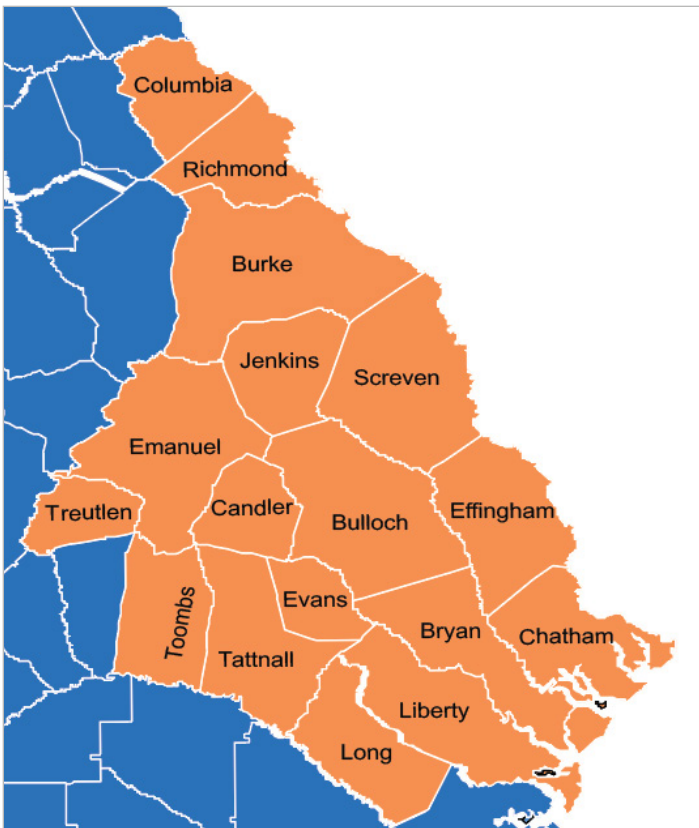
For more than 75 years, the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) program has been instrumental in promoting international trade, economic development and job creation in the United States. Authorized by the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of 1934, the FTZ program expedites and encourages foreign commerce by lowering the costs of U.S. based operations engaged in international trade. Companies operating FTZs have become a thriving sector in the U.S. economy.

FTZs help the U.S. economy by allowing companies to source components from around the world at competitive prices, while keeping important value added activities such as manufacturing in the U.S. foreign and domestic merchandise can be admitted into a zone without formal Customs entry procedures, the payment of Custom duties or the payment of federal excise tax. The program is available to all U.S. based companies and can be established in industrial parks, distribution centers and warehouse facilities. FTZs can be multi-user facilities or specific to one company's use.



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World Trade Center Savannah, grantee of FTZ 104, supports the FTZ program for Georgia businesses in a multi-county region near the Port of Savannah.



“FTZs are one of the most effective tools available today to increase the global competitiveness of U.S.-based operations, promote economic development, and facilitate international trade.”

- Jeffrey J. Tafel, CAE
President
National Association of Foreign-Trade Zones

“The cash flow benefit of FTZs is in high demand as the U.S. continues to experience supply chain disruptions. Companies that need to maintain more safety stock in their supply chain management are storing it in zones to defer paying duties - retaining cash for operational priorities - until it is needed to fulfill orders or manufacturing needs.”

- Melissa Irmen
Past Chair
National Association of Foreign-Trade Zones

Cost Benefits

Duty Deferral

Customs duties deferred on imports improves cash flow

Duty Elimination

No duty or quota charges on re-exports. No duty on waste, scrap or defective parts

Inverted Tariff

Duty paid at the lower tariff rate of the imported component or finished product

Weekly Entry

Reductions in merchandise processing fees due to weekly entry

Tax Savings

Inventory may be exempt from local and state inventory taxes

Additional Benefits

- Domestic and international merchandise can be warehoused together
- No time limit for storage
- Tighter inventory controls may eliminate year-end inventory loss adjustments
- Zone to zone transfers
- Direct delivery potential

Permitted in a Foreign-Trade Zone

- Assembling
- Testing
- Sampling
- Relabeling
- Manufacturing
- Storing
- Salvaging
- Processing
- Repackaging
- Destroying
- Mixing
- Manipulating
- Repairing
- Exhibiting
- Cleaning
- Displaying