

## NAFTA-USMCA-TPP Comparison Chart - Preamble

USMCA Chapter No: Preamble							
Description of Provision	USMCA					NAFTA Provision (if any)	TPP Provision (if any)
	Provision Number	New	No Changes	Minor Changes	Significant Changes		
STRENGTHEN AN the longstanding friendship between [USA, Mexico, Canada] and their peoples, and the strong economic cooperation that has developed through trade and investment	Preamble paragraph 1				Yes	Preamble paragraph 1	Preamble paragraph 2
REPLACE [NAFTA] with a 21 <sup>st</sup> Century, high standard new agreement to support mutually beneficial trade leading to freer, fairer markets, and to robust economic growth in the region	Preamble paragraph 2	Yes				N/A	N/A
PRESERVE AND EXPAND regional trade and production by further incentivizing the production and sourcing of goods and materials in the region	Preamble paragraph 4	Yes				N/A	N/A

ENHANCE AND PROMOTE the competitiveness of regional exports and firms in global markets, and conditions of fair competition in the region	Preamble paragraph 4				Yes	Preamble paragraph 8	Preamble paragraph 5
SUPPORT the growth and development of medium-sized enterprises by enhancing their ability to participate in and benefit from the opportunities created by [USMCA] ...	Preamble paragraph 5	Yes		Similar to TPP provision		N/A	Preamble paragraph 6
ESTABLISH a clear, transparent and predictable legal and commercial framework for business planning that supports further expansion of trade and investment	Preamble paragraph 6			Similar to TPP provision		Preamble, paragraph 6	Preamble paragraph 7
FACILITATE trade between the Parties by promoting efficient and transparent customs procedures that reduce costs and ensure predictability for importers and exporters, and encourage the expansion of cooperating in the area of trade facilitation and enforcement	Preamble paragraph 7	Yes			Yes		Preamble paragraph 8

RECOGNIZE their inherent right to regulate and resolve to preserve flexibility of the Parties to set legislative and regulatory priorities, in a manner consistent with [USMCA], and to protect legitimate public welfare objectives, such as public health, safety, the environment, the conservation of living or non-living exhaustible natural resources, the integrity and stability of the financial system and public morals, in accordance with the rights and obligations provided in [USMCA]	Preamble paragraph 8			Similar to TPP provision		Preamble paragraph 12	Preamble paragraphs 9 and 10
FACILITATE trade in goods and services between the Parties by preventing, identifying, and eliminating unnecessary technical barriers to trade, enhancing transparency, and promoting good regulatory practices	Preamble paragraph 9				Yes	Preamble paragraph 3	Preamble paragraph 1
PROTECT human, animal or plant life or health in the territories of the Parties and advance science-based decision-making while	Preamble paragraph 10	Yes (but comes from GATT)				N/A	N/A

facilitating trade between them							
ELIMINATE obstacles to international trade which are more trade-restrictive than necessary	Preamble paragraph 11				Yes	Preamble paragraph 4	N/A
FOSTER creativity and innovation, and promote trade in goods and services that are the subject of intellectual property rights, in a manner conducive to social and economic welfare	Preamble paragraph 12			Yes		Preamble paragraph 13	N/A
PROMOTE high levels of environmental protection, including through effective enforcement by each Party of its environmental laws, as well as through enhanced environmental cooperation, and further the aims of sustainable development, including through mutually supportive trade and environmental policies and practices	Preamble paragraph 13				Yes	Preamble paragraphs 13, 14	Preamble paragraph 12
PROMOTE the protection and enforcement of labor rights, the improvement of working conditions, the strengthening of cooperation and the Parties' capacity on labor issues	Preamble paragraph 14				Yes	Preamble paragraph 15	Preamble paragraph 13

SUPPORT the implementation of government-wide practices to promote regulatory quality through greater transparency, objective analysis, accountability, and predictability, recognizing that these practices can facilitate international trade, investment, and economic growth, while contributing to each Party's ability to achieve its public policy objectives	Preamble paragraph 15	Yes				N/A	N/A
PROMOTE transparency, good governance and rule of law, eliminate bribery and corruption in trade and investment	Preamble paragraph 16			Similar to TPP provision			Preamble paragraph 14
RECOGNIZE the important work that their relevant authorities are doing to strengthen macroeconomic cooperation	Preamble paragraph 17			Similar to TPP provision			Preamble paragraph 15
ESTABLISH an Agreement to address future trade and investment challenges and opportunities, and contribute to advancing their respective priorities over time	Preamble paragraph 18			Similar to TPP provision			Preamble paragraph 18
PLEASE NOTE that the comparison chart is subjective to a degree. References to TPP are not to the CPTPP.							

Reference <http://international.gc.ca/trade-commerce/trade-agreements-accords-commerciaux/agr-acc/tpp-ptp/text-texte/00.aspx?lang=eng>

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