

## Scrap Import Ban: Chinese Government Confirmation for 2019



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The Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries (“ISRI”) noted in a November 21st news release that a Chinese Government news publication (“*Xinhua*”) posted an article regarding China’s intent to implement “the next phase import prohibition beginning on December 31, 2018.”

ISRI states that the article does not contain new information but reiterates that the import of certain scrap materials will be banned.

ISRI states that the import of the following scrap materials will be prohibited:

- Slags from iron and steel production: HS codes 2618.00.10.01, 2619.00.00.10, 2619.00.00.30
- Post-industrial plastic scrap (8 product lines): All HS codes under 3915
- Shredded auto parts: HS 7204.49.00.10
- Scrap metal and electrical appliances for ferrous recovery: HS 7204.49.00.20
- Scrap metal and electrical appliances (including small motors and wires) for copper recovery: HS 7404.00.00.10
- Scrap metal and electrical appliances (including small motors and wires) for aluminum recovery: HS 7602.00.00.10
- Vessels for shipbreaking: HS 8908.00.00.00

ISRI’s publication references and links to the announcement which is titled:

*Announcement on Adjustment to the Catalogue for the Administration of Import Solid Waste – Announcement No. 6 in 2018*

The announcement was issued by the:

- Ministry of Ecology and Environment
- Ministry of Commerce
- National Development and Reform Commission
- General Administration of Customs

Besides scrap, various solid wastes are also listed.

A link to the ISRI publication can be found [here](#).