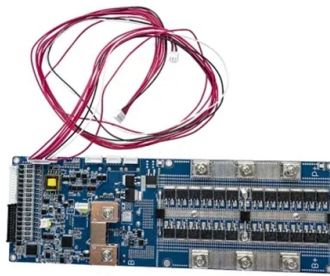


Are there any tariffs on optical modules



AI Overview

Optical modules are subject to U.S. import tariffs, but certain exemptions and classifications mitigate the impact on pluggable optics. Current Tariff Landscape Optical modules imported into the United States are generally subject to a 10% basic tariff. However, under Executive Order 14257, pluggable optical components classified under Harmonized Tariff Schedule 8517.62.0090 are exempt from the 245% ad valorem tariff on Chinese goods and from tariffs on other countries after a 90-day grace period. This exemption specifically covers devices used for receiving, converting, transmitting, or reproducing voice, image, or other data, including switching and routing apparatus. Historical and Market Impacts During the Trump administration, tariffs on Chinese-manufactured optical transceivers significantly disrupted the market. Companies faced sudden cost increases of up to 25%, supply chain disruptions, and strategic shifts such as relocating production to non-tariffed regions or adjusting pricing strategies. These changes affected high-volume purchasers like hyperscale data centers and telecom operators, increasing operational costs and complicating procurement planning. Industry Sentiment and Procurement Industry surveys indicate that while tariffs themselves are manageable, policy uncertainty has a more pronounced effect on supply chain planning. Companies anticipate short-term slowdowns in procurement as they await clearer guidance on exemptions and tariff adjustments. Two scenarios are commonly discussed: one where optical components remain purchasable at higher prices with minimal disruption, and another where overall equipment costs rise, leading to reduced procurement volumes. Most respondents lean toward the latter scenario, expecting impacts within one to two quarters. Future Considerations Ongoing U.S. trade policies and potential new tariffs could further affect the optical industry. While exemptions currently protect pluggable optics, future tariff increases or prolonged...

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