



# What are the specific BABA requirements for manufactured products?

**BABA is Public Law 117-58 included in the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA) – also referred to as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) – under Title IX, Subtitle A, Part I - Buy America Sourcing Requirements.**

Starting May 14, 2022, federal financial infrastructure investments must comply with the BABA requirement. Absent a waiver, all iron, steel, **manufactured products**, and construction materials permanently incorporated into an infrastructure project subject to the BABA requirements must be produced in the United States. According to the law, a "project" is defined as "any activity related to the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of infrastructure in the U.S." Buy America preference only applies to articles, materials, and supplies that are consumed in, incorporated into, or affixed to an infrastructure project.

## **The Act requires the following Buy America preference:**

- (1)** All iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States. This means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
- (2)** All manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States. The cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content of the manufactured product has been established under applicable law or regulation.

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