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- **China Further Tightens Export Controls on Rare-Earth Metals.**

In Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) [Notice No. 61](#), issued on October 9th, 2025, China announced additional restrictions on exports of rare-earth metals. The move comes ahead of U.S. President Donald Trump's planned visit to South Korea, where he is also set to meet with China's President Xi Jinping for the first time this term. This step further tightens China's control not only over rare-earth minerals but also over a range of downstream materials, components, and related know-how. In essence, China now controls the export of rare-earth materials as well as the materials, chemicals, and technology required to process and apply them.

- **Reminder — CBP Updates Continuing Education Requirements for Customs Brokers**

On November 1st, 2024, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) published a [Federal Register notice](#) announcing that customs brokers may begin earning continuing-education credits under the new CBP Continuing Education (CE) Program. The program aims to ensure all CBP-licensed brokers remain up to date on evolving customs rules and U.S. trade laws, facilitating compliant trade in today's environment. It also serves as an additional layer of security against illegal trade entering U.S. commerce. Under the requirement, individually licensed brokers must earn 20 CE credits from qualifying educational activities occurring between January 1, 2025 and January 31, 2027 (the end of the current triennial period) to maintain an active license. For more info: [Customs Broker Continuing Education](#).



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- [CBP Trade Statistics](#)
[Total duties, taxes, and fees collected as of August 31, 2025: \\$195.9 billion.](#)

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