

REGULATIONS ON HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS SHIPMENTS IN SAUDI ARABIA

IMPORT OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Foreigners

Used personal effects belong to expatriates arriving for the first time to reside in the country are exempted from customs duties provided that they are of personal nature but 15% VAT will be applicable on the total value of the goods that will be determined by the Saudi Customs. Only the first shipment can be imported duty free, for any further imports payment of duties and taxes will apply. Documents required for import customs clearance are as follows:

- Copy of shipping document (AWB or Express Released BL)
- Descriptive inventory / Packing list in English
- Copy of consignee's passport
- Copy of consignee's residence permit (Iqama)
- Fasah (Customs) account login and password in order for us to register online customs broker authorization on consignee behalf. Below are the useful steps to register at Fasah website:

<https://signup.fasah.sa/register/#/>

Activity Type: Importer

Party Type: Individuals

ID Type: Iqama

Declaration Type: Importer

Importer Activity: Personal Effects Shipment

Iqama Expiry Date (Hijri): Please make sure to enter Actual Iqama Expiry Date as per your MOI Abshir Account.

Please make sure to enter your complete Saudi National Address where requested during the registration process.

Returning Saudi Arabian citizens

Used personal effects belong to Saudis living abroad and returning to Saudi Arabia are exempted from customs duties provided that they are of the personal nature. Documents required for import customs clearance are as follows:

- Copy of shipping document (AWB or Express Released BL)
- Descriptive inventory / Packing list in English
- Copy of consignee's passport
- Copy of consignee's Saudi ID (Bataqa)
- Fasah (Customs) account login and password in order for us to register online customs broker authorization on consignee behalf. Below are the useful steps to register at Fasah website:

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Activity Type: Importer

Party Type: Individuals

ID Type: National ID

Declaration Type: Importer

Nationality: Saudi Arabia
Country of Residence: Saudi Arabia

Importer Activity: Personal Effects Shipment
ID Expiry Date (Hijri): Saudi ID expiry date

Please make sure to enter your complete Saudi National Address where requested during the registration process.

Diplomats:

Used personal effects belonging to diplomats are exempted from customs duties and taxes provided that they are of the personal nature. Documents required for import customs clearance are as follows:

- Copy of shipping document (AWB or Express Released BL)
- Descriptive inventory / Packing list in English
- Copy of consignee's passport
- Copy of consignee's Diplomatic residence permit (Iqama)
- Customs Exemption Letter from concerned Embassy/Consulate obtained from MOFA Saudi Arabia
- Fasah customs E-Authorization reference number from the concerned Embassy/Consulate on our customs broker name (broker detail will be provided by Move Coordinator)

NOTES

Consignee or the owner of the shipment should be present in Saudi Arabia at the time of customs clearance, in case customs request the consignee/owner to visit customs office for customs inspection or any other reason.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Gambling games
- Animal skins
- Stuffed animals
- Military uniforms
- Firearms
- Batteries
- CD, DVD movies or video games disks of any quantity
- Alcoholic beverages
- Radio transmitter
- Pornographic material
- Any kind of food items, dry or liquid.
- Human body shaped statues and figures
- Any books pertaining to religion other than Islam
- Any item connected to any other religion but Islam
- Anything made of Ivory such as Decoration Items or Piano with Ivory keys etc.

Bringing these items without declaration, especially wines and/or any alcoholic beverages, will be considered as a smuggling attempt, hence, heavy penalty will be imposed. Aside from confiscation of the item, a penalty of US\$ 200.00 per a bottle of wine will be applicable. For large quantity, the shipper/consignee will be brought to court and may be imprisoned.

CONSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Consignee:

Full name of consignee as per passport

Address of consignee in Saudi Arabia

Attn: Ali Sikandar

Tel: +966504555826

Email: ali.sikandar@moveoneinc.com

Notify Party:

Same as consignee

Please do not dispatch any shipment without our green light, as we would like to receive the import paperwork from consignee before we confirm our green light.

IMPORT OF VEHICLES

Vehicles can be imported to Saudi Arabia as long as they are not more than 5 years old (by the time the clearance is finished). Customs duty and taxes on all vehicles is applicable and it is 20% of its value. Saudi Customs will evaluate the value of the vehicle based on their own tariff and Duty & Taxes will be charged accordingly. Documents needed for import customs clearance are as follows:

- Car de-registration document from country of origin
- Copy of car registration/ownership document from origin
- Copy of Invoice of vehicle purchase at origin if available.
- Copy of shipping document (AWB or Express Released BL)
- Copy of consignee's passport
- Copy of consignee's residence permit (Iqama)
- Fasah (Customs) account login and password in order for us to register online customs broker authorization on consignee behalf. Below are the useful steps to register at Fasah website:

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Activity Type: Importer

Party Type: Individuals

ID Type: Iqama

Declaration Type: Importer

Importer Activity: Personal Effects Shipment

Iqama Expiry Date (Hijri): Please make sure to enter Actual Iqama Expiry Date as per your MOI Abshir Account.

Please make sure to enter your complete Saudi National Address where requested during the registration process.

NOTES

Importers of vehicles can only import one vehicle per year, and imported vehicles cannot be sold within the 36 months period.

It is not allowed to keep any personal belonging inside the vehicle at time of export to Saudi Arabia.

IMPORT OF CARPETS, PAINTINGS, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, ART EFFECTS AND ANTIQUES

Import of these items is allowed only if they are not pornographic or against Islam. Documents for HHG apply for this as well.

IMPORT OF SPECIAL ITEMS (E.G. RIFLES, STUFFED ANIMALS, ETC.)

Import of special items like rifles and stuffed animals to Saudi Arabia is not allowed.

IMPORT OF WINE, SPIRITS AND TOBACCO

Import of alcohol and tobacco products to Saudi Arabia is not allowed.

EXPORT OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS**Foreigners, Saudi Arabian citizens, Diplomats**

For export customs, clearance the same documentation is required as for the import procedure.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

Same as Import

EXPORT OF VEHICLES

Apart from the documents required for normal household goods, the following documents need to be submitted for export customs clearance of a vehicle:

- Copy of car registration
- Copy of driving license
- Original vehicle de-registration document obtained by shipper from local traffic police office.

EXPORT OF CARPETS, PAINTINGS, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, ART EFFECTS AND ANTIQUES

These items can be exported from Saudi Arabia in a HHG shipment, there is no restriction. Documents required for normal HHG apply for these items as well.

EXPORT OF SPECIAL ITEMS (E.G. RIFLES, STUFFED ANIMALS, ETC.)

Export of special items like rifles and stuffed animals from Saudi Arabia is not allowed.

Export of alcohol and tobacco products from Saudi Arabia is not allowed.