

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 5% 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 Release BOL)
- Descriptive inventory / Packing list in English
- Copy of consignee's passport
- Copy of 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 Release BOL)
- 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

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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 Release BOL)
- 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 form 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
- Alcoholic beverages
- Radio transmitter
- Pornographic material
- Any food containing alcohol, pork or related pork meat
- Human body shaped statues and figures
- Any books pertaining to religion other than Islam
- Any item connected to any other religion but Islam

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: Amey Mahajani Tel: +966556460056 Email: <u>amey.mahajan@moveoneinc.com</u>

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Notify Party:

Same as consignee

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

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 10% 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 registeration/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 PETS

To enter Saudi Arabia, your pet must first be microchipped with an ISO 11784/11785 pet microchip that is a 15 digit and non-encrypted. If your pet's microchip is not ISO 11784/11785 compliant, you can bring your own microchip scanner.

Your pet will need proof of current vaccination against rabies at least 30 days but not more than one year before entering Saudi Arabia. Three year vaccines are not recognized.

RNATT (Rabies Neutralizing Antibody Titre Test) is NOT NEEDED for Cats and Dogs coming to Saudi Arabia.



A USDA (or CFIA) accredited veterinarian must then complete the Saudi Arabia Veterinary Certificate for endorsement by the USDA or CFIA if traveling from the United States or Canada. International Health Certificate can be obtained by any official Vet Clinic at origin country.

Whether your pet is a dog or cat, a permit to import from the Ministry of Agriculture in Saudi Arabia is required.

For dogs and cats, an agent can apply for the import permit on behalf of the owner. Permits are good for 30 days from issuance.

Advance permission from the local General Security Office is required for Arab nationals to import a pet into Saudi Arabia to confirm they have a suitable residence for your pet. This permission must be obtained before the permit is issued.

*Move One can assist to obtain import permit on behalf of consignee/pet owner. If request is rejected, the pet owner need to personally visit the Ministry of Agriculture office to obtain the import permit manually and Move One representative will be assisting through the process.

Below is required for the import permit:

- Copy of consignee passport
- Copy of consignee Saudi Iqama or Saudi Visa if iqama not ready yet
- Copy of pet/pets passport (vaccination record book) with microchip detail
- Name of airport of pet departure at origin countryEstimated date of pet arrival into Saudi Arabia
- Photo of the pet/pets
- Importer address and contact detail of Saudi Arabia

Normally it takes two to three days to obtain the import permit approval from Ministry. Once approved the Import Permit is valid for 30 days from date of approval.

A letter to the Director of Customs in Saudi Arabia is required notifying them of your pet's arrival. The final step is to apply for an entrance notification. This must be done in Saudi Arabia either by the company for which you work or by an agent in Saudi Arabia*

*Move One will do this on client's behalf if we are handling Airport to Door Service.

NOTES

1 person can import 2 cats and 2 dogs per year in Saudi Arabia.

Minimum age to import pet under your name is 30 years as per Saudi Ministry of Agriculture Rules and Regulations.

For dogs entering Saudi Arabia you must indicate on the paperwork and a licensed veterinarian must state that the dog is being imported as a certified service dog, guard dog or a hunting dog of certain breeds (ONLY FOR ARAB NATIONALS).

Pets can enter Saudi Arabia at the international airport in Riyadh, Jeddah or Dammam. Notice should be given to veterinary officials so they will be available to inspect your pet upon landing. Pets can arrive as excess baggage or air cargo. (Move One can assist and handle Pets arriving as Manifest Cargo at Riyadh Airport only. We do not have import handling and clearance services at any other Airport in Saudi Arabia.

As Puppies and kittens that are not yet 3 months old should not be vaccinated for rabies, they may not enter Saudi Arabia until 30 days after their rabies vaccination.

The following breeds are banned from entry: Japanese Spitz, Japanese Akita / Akita Imu / Akita, Affenpinscher, Griffon Bruxellois / Brussels Griffon / Brabaneon / Belgian Griffon, Hovawart, Boxer, Bull



Dog / English Bull Dog, Rottweiler, All Terriers including Pit Bull and Staffordshire Bull Terriers, Dandie Dinmont Terrier, Lancashire Heeler, Swedish Valhunde / Swedish Cattle Dog / Vasgoispats, Mastiff / Old English Mastiff / Bull Mastiff / Neapolitan Mastiff, Newfoundland, Great Dane / Deutscher Dogge, and Leon Bergehni. Wolf hybreds are not permitted. Also, small dogs like Yorkies, Pomeranians and Chihuahuas are also prohibited. Small/toy breeds may enter Saudi Arabia at Riyadh; however, Dammam and Jeddah will not accept them.

OK TO FORWARD PROCESS:

When Move One is handling import of pet arriving at Riyadh Airport the origin agent should provide Move One's destination coordinator's contact number and email address to the Air Lines. Airlines local Saudi office will approach Move One destination coordinator with the ok to forward request form that we will sign stamp on behalf of consignee and will send back to airlines local office with copy of import permit to confirm the ok to forward.

Important Note: Saudi Ministry of Agriculture and Saudi Customs change their rules, regulations and requirements on frequent basis without any proper public notification. Move One will inform our client/agents as soon as we get to know any changes in rules, regulations and requirements from concerned authorities.

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 listed under imports.

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:

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

EXPORT OF PETS

Documents required for export customs clearance in Saudi Arabia:

- Original pet passport / vaccination history latest vaccinations must be at least 30 days old and not older than 12 months. Microchip number must be listed on the vaccination history
- Health certificate issued by any local vet, but endorsed by the Saudi Arabia Government authority within 7 days of departure
- Export permit from the Ministry of Agriculture arranged by Move One. The Saudi Ministry needs approximately 15 days to process the export permit application
- Copy of owner's passport
- Copy of owner's residence permit (Iqama)

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

There 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.

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EXPORT OF WINE, SPIRITS AND TOBACCO

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