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CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION FOR IMPORTS

HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

Documents Required

- Copy of Passport
- Copy of Visa
- Original Bill of Lading (OBL) / Air Waybill (AWB)
- Packing list
- Pro-forma Invoice
- Tax Exemption Form
- Copy of Diplomatic Card (Diplomats)
- Letter of Request (to Ministry of Foreign Affairs for Customs clearance permission)

Specific Information

- Customs clearance procedures take approximately 20-25 days provided all documents are received by agent and complete.
- Afghanistan does not require the fumigation of wood packaging materials (WPM) with ISPM15 at this time.

MOTOR VEHICLES

Documents Required

- Copy of Passport
- Copy of Visa
- OBL / AWB
- Original Certificate of Origin / Title
- Original Commercial / Purchase Invoice
- Pro-forma Invoice
- Tax Exemption Form
- Letter of Request (to Ministry of Foreign Affairs for Customs clearance permission)
- Ownership confirmation
- Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
- Diplomatic Note (Diplomats)
- Copy of Diplomatic Card (Diplomats)

Specific Information

- The import of motor vehicles requires prior authorization from the Ministry of Commerce in Kabul, Afghanistan.
- The VIN must be indicated on the OBL / AWB.

PETS

Documents Required

- Certification of Vaccination, including rabies
- Veterinary Health Certificate
- Pet Passport

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Specific Information

- The Certificate of Vaccination must be issued at the point of origin and accompany the animal (dogs).
- The Certification of Vaccination and Veterinary Health Certificate must be issued within 30 days of arrival.
- The shipper must be present for Customs clearance.
- Pets may enter as cargo only.

RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS

- Alcohol (2 L)
- Antiques, carpets, furs and camera film (permit is required)
- The following items may qualify for free import within the limits indicated:
 - Tobacco (quantity for personal use)
 - Perfume (no limit)

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Weapons of all kinds
- Alcohol and Foodstuff
- Pornography
- Narcotics
- Anti-Islamic materials, literature, etc.
- Electronic recordings (CDs, DVDs, audiotapes and videotapes, etc.)

CONSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Recommended: Contact the destination agent to ensure all requirements have been met prior to import, especially for differences regarding air / sea shipments.

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Helpful Website(s):

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1056.html

<http://www.embassyofafghanistan.org>