





SAUDI ARABIA CUSTOMS INFORMATION

Goods	Documents Required	Customs Prescriptions	Remarks
<p>Used Personal Effects & House Hold Goods</p>  <p>Saudi Arabia</p>	<p>From the Origin Agent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copy of AWB (for airfreights) Original OBL (for sea freights) Descriptive Inventory / Packing List Itemized Valued Inventory Certificate of insurance (if applicable). <p>From the consignee at destination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Authorization Letter/s attested by the Saudi Chamber of Commerce (formats to be provided to the consignee upon arrival at destination). For government hired employees, only the seal of the gov't. agency is required. Copy of consignee's passport with the entry visa page Copies of Residence Permit (Iqama) or Saudi National's ID (Bataqa) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valued over SR 10,000.00 (about US\$ 3,000.00), all articles, new & used, are subject to customs duty payment assessed on their CIF value. Electrical Appliances – 5 % Audio / Video CD's - 5% Furniture - 15% All similar items manufactured In are subject to customs duties at 5-15 % Books and used clothing at reasonable quantities are exempted from duty payment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If receipts / invoices are not available, all items will be assessed by the Customs Authority based on local value. All containerized shipments must be on pallets or in lift vans failure of which the Seaport Authority will impose penalty for bad stowage (loose loaded). Consignee or the owner of the shipment must be in at the time of customs clearance, otherwise, shipment will not be cleared.
<p>Electrical / Electronic Appliances</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purchase Receipts / Invoice Descriptive Inventory for air shipments must be attached to the Airway Bill. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subject to customs duty: (5 % of CIF Value) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the absence of purchase receipts, the Customs Authority will assess the goods based on local value.
<p>Prohibited Goods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All games of chance (gambling paraphernalia) Including chess sets, dice, backgammon and the likes. * Animal skin in commercial quantity. Weapons and firearms (real or ornamental, and/or antiques) including guns, ammunition, fireworks, spears, etc. If imported, owner will be subject to investigation that may result in fines and / or prison. * 		<p>Subject to automatic confiscation</p> <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>IMPORTANT NOTICE All incoming shipments to Saudi Arabia are subject to rigorous full physical inspection (100%).</p> </div>	<p>IMPORTANT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Items marked with asterisk (*) can be re-exported at shipper/consignee's expense. Bringing these items without declaration, especially wines and/or any alcoholic beverages, will be considered as an smuggling attempt, hence, heavy penalty will be imposed. Aside from confiscation of the item, a penalty of US\$ 200.00 for a bottle of wine. For large quantity, the shipper / consignee will be brought to court and may be imprisoned.




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<p>Prohibited Goods: Continues...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Military uniforms or military equipment of any kind. * ✦ Alcoholic beverages, any food products containing alcohol such as Vanilla, flavoring extract, cooking wines, etc. ✦ Books, wine making kits, or any other items used in the preparation or manufacture of alcoholic drinks and beverages. ✦ Any kind of narcotics and/or unidentified medicines. ✦ Any type of radio transmitter or communication equip't. (including receivers, VHF, Marine/police bands or walkie-talkies). * ✦ Stuffed Animals, statues, figurines, carving or objects depicting human or animal form * ✦ Pornographic materials and literatures to include fashion magazines with people wearing underwear or swimsuits. ✦ Any foodstuffs containing alcohol, pork and related pork meat products, etc. ✦ Any books pertaining to religion other than Islam. 		Refer Page 01	Refer Page 01
<p>Goods Subject to Censorship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Exposed film, including prints, slides, etc. ✦ Records, books, magazines, pictures/photos, & other printed matters. ✦ Personal computers, audio/video CD's, diskettes, USB's, computer hard disks, printers. ✦ or Cellular phones ✦ Audio/video VHS/VCR/cassette tapes, phonograph recordings. ✦ Or, any other items that store information 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ A penalty will be charged to the consignee for CD's, VCR tapes and books confiscated after the censorship. (US\$ 135.00 each for CD's and VCR tapes; and US\$ 14.00 each for books). 	<p>If such items are in a PE & HHG shipment, Customs Authority will remove them from the container for censorship or review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To reduce the time for clearance, these items must be packed separately for easy access & carton/s must be marked clearly and on the inventory; or you may send them off by air. - To some other destination agents like Four Winds SA Ltd, second delivery for the censored articles will be made at no added cost to the consignee (applicable to airfreight shipments only).



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<p>Motors / Cars</p> 	<p>New and used cars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Title Certificate / Car Registrations ◆ Saudi Arabian Standard Organization (SASO) Conformity Certificate from the country of origin ◆ Police Clearance / de-registrations from the country of origin ◆ Other proofs of ownership i.e. Purchase Invoice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ - Customs duty for cars is 5 % based on customs final assessed value. - Right hand drive cars are not Accepted. - Expatriates are only allowed to bring-in one car. - Car must not more than five(5) years old. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any personal belongings are not allowed inside the Car. - SASO Conformity Certificate may be secured in locally. SASO office may require replacement or conversion to some parts of the car to meet the SASO Standard at owner / consignee's expense. Application for the SASO Conformity Certificate may be rejected and may be required to re-export the car back to origin at owner's expense.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Diplomatic Removals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Authorization Letter ◆ Copies of diplomatic ID & passport. ◆ Customs Duty & Inspection Exemption Certificate 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Diplomats shall obtain Duty & Inspection Exemption Certificate from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, otherwise, their shipment will be considered as an ordinary cargo thereby, subjected to full physical inspection and duty payment.

Note:

Saudi customs regulations are modified regularly. The information furnished herewith is only a brief summary of the rules regarding customs clearance in Saudi Arabia and applicable to incoming household goods and personal effects shipments only. This is being provided for general guidance to assist shippers and agents. Since such regulations are subject to change without prior notice, any costs, damages, delays, or any other detrimental facts or events resulting from non-compliance is solely for the account of the shipper and/or origin agent. To get the latest update, please, contact us or check with your local Saudi Embassy or Consulate Office.

