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**CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**FOR IMPORTS**

**HOUSEHOLD GOODS REMOVAL**

**A. Documents Required**

Returning Indonesian Nationals

- Passport copy
- Packing list
- Airway bill / bill of lading
- Letter from Indonesian Embassy or Consulate at point of origin

Foreigners

- Passport copy
- Packing list
- Airway bill / bill of lading

Foreign Diplomats

- Passport copy
- Packing list
- Airway bill / bill of lading

**B. Specific Regulations**

- All shipments are subject to 100% customs examination.
- While the shipper does not have to be physically present at the port or airport during customs clearance, we must present his/her original passport and original one year work permit (or diplomatic certificate) to the Indonesian Customs Authorities at the time of clearance.
- The shipper must be in Indonesia for the shipment to clear through customs.
- Shipments that contain solid wood packaging material need to be fumigated or heat treated at origin. Failure to do so could entail shipment being subject to additional quarantine charges at the port of entry.
- Foreigners and returning Indonesians who do not meet duty-free criteria, may import household goods and personal effects into Indonesia subject to duty fees; fees vary and are often subject to negotiation with Customs.

Returning Indonesian Nationals

- A returning Indonesian national must obtain a letter from the Indonesian Embassy or Consulate at point of origin stating original arrival date abroad, the date of return to Indonesia, the reason for staying overseas, and that the shipper is bringing back a shipment of household goods to Indonesia. Duty free entry is only permitted if:
  - He or she has completed his or her overseas study
  - He or she was a consulate or embassy staff member overseas
  - He or she has finished his or her overseas contractual employment

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- Only one air and one sea are permitted duty free, and one each of any electrical appliance duty free.
- A returning Indonesian national must present both his/her current passport and his/her previously expired passport.

### Foreign Diplomats

- A foreigner may import household goods and personal effects into Indonesia duty free under the following conditions:
  - He or she has diplomatic status or holds a valid one year Indonesia residence permit called a KITAS (spouse also needs this). A work permit called IMTA is also required.
  - His or her goods enter Indonesia within 3 months of his/her initial arrival in Indonesia.
  - His or her good arrive from the country where he/she lived previously for one year.
- If the above criteria are met, only one sea and one air shipment are permitted duty free, and the shipper can only import one each of any electrical appliance duty free.

### **RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS**

- Ammunition
- Firearms
- Pornographic material
- Short wave radios
- Statues

**NOTE:** *Although statues are not considered as prohibited items, they have recently been treated as very sensitive items (due to recent incidents of smuggling of artifacts). Currently, Indonesian customs are seizing any statues that look as if they could be an antiquity and will hold them pending examination by the Indonesian Directorate of History and Archeology. The examination process can last for 3 - 6 months until the Directorate of History and Archeology can make a determination. If they are deemed to be antiquities or of cultural significance, they may be permanently seized. Any supporting documents (purchase receipt, certificate from origin customs etc.) will be very useful to ensuring statues can be cleared and released.*

### **PROHIBITED ITEMS**

- Alcohol

### **MOTOR VEHICLES**

#### **A. Specific Regulations**

#### Returning Indonesian Nationals / Foreigners

- It is almost impossible to import a vehicle into Indonesia. The procedures for a non-diplomat to import a vehicle are time consuming and tedious.
- The duty assessed can be as high as 300% of the new purchase value of the vehicle.

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### Foreign Diplomats

- Foreign diplomats may import a vehicle into Indonesia duty free.
- A letter must be obtained from the Indonesian Ministry of Foreign Affairs verifying his/her status and requesting that Indonesian Customs permit duty free import.

### **PETS**

#### **A. Documents Required**

- Pets and other animals are currently banned from import into Bali.

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