
CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FOR IMPORTS

HOUSEHOLD GOODS REMOVAL

A. Documents Required

- Airway bill / Bill of lading / CMR
- Packing list noting values signed by the shipper in Russian
- Copy of passport
- Copy of valid Tajikistan Visa
- Copy of Diplomatic card (Diplomat)
- Copy of employment confirmation (Non-Diplomat)
- Valued inventory in English or Russian
- Notarized power of attorney authorizing destination agent to handle customs clearance

B. Specific Regulations

- The consignee should be present at destination and possess a valid Visa.
- The consignee should be employed by a registered company or diplomatic organization in Tajikistan.
- Electronic/electrical appliances should be clearly marked with their serial numbers.
- On non-diplomatic shipments, household goods and personal effects may be imported duty and tax-free on a temporary import basis until the expatriate has finished their tenure and are ready to export their household goods out of Tajikistan.
- Expatriates are permitted to import limited amounts of foodstuff and other consumable items duty and tax free.
- The valued inventory is only for customs purpose therefore the value does not have to be the same as used for the insurance purposes. It is recommended to under-declare the value of the goods in order to avoid unnecessary problems with local customs authorities.

Note: Valued inventory lists are purely for customs purposes and therefore the value does not have to be the same as used for insurance purposes. However, it is advised **not** to enclose the list used for insurance purposes along with the shipping documents.

Citizen

- Tajik citizens are not permitted to import household goods and personal effects on a temporary import basis and are liable to pay full tax and duties.

Note: Request a copy of consignment instructions before dispatch of the shipment to avoid extra storage charges at airport/terminal.

MOTOR VEHICLES

A. Documents Required

- Copy of technical passport / Certificate of title
- Invoice (purchase order)
- Complete vehicle technical documentation
- Technical passport / Vehicle title (origin of vehicle)

B. Specific Regulations

- Motor vehicles and motorcycles can be imported duty and tax free on a temporary import basis.
- Sale of the temporarily imported motor vehicles and motorcycles are not permitted and must be exported out of Tajikistan at the end of the expatriate's tenure.
- Permanent import of motor vehicles and motorcycles is subject to the tax and duties as per customs tariff.

ANTIQUES, ART EFFECTS, CARPETS, AND PAINTINGS

A. Documents Required

- Airway bill / Bill of lading / CMR
- Packing list
- Copy of the passport
- Copy of the visa
- Copy of dip card / Accreditation card (if available)
- Valued inventory in English and Russian
- Pro forma invoice
- Power of attorney
- Confirmation of employment

B. Specific Regulations

- Duty-free importation is allowed on a temporary basis and it is strongly recommended that all carpets, paintings, art effects and antiques in shipments be photographed and included with the shipment documents.
- A duplicate photograph of each item should be sent to the agent in advance in order to obtain the necessary customs endorsement on the back of each photograph at the customs shipment inspection. This will help the owner avoid problems with customs authorities at the time these items are exported out of Tajikistan.

PETS

A. Documents Required

- Vaccination certificate
- Veterinary certificate

B. Specific Regulations

- Receipt of documentation is required 10 business days prior to pet's arrival.

RESTRICTED/DUTIABLE ITEMS

Jewelry

- Precious jewelry, stones and currency can be imported only as accompanied baggage and must be declared with customs authorities (at the airport) at the time of arrival.
- The declaration should be kept in safe custody because the same document will be required for presentation to authorities at time of departure.

Alcohol

- The allowance limit for import of wine and spirits for personal consumption is one liter per person.
- All excess is subject to duties and taxes as follows:
 - US \$1.00 / liter = excise duty
 - Up to 30 % of value = customs duty
 - 20 % of value = VAT
 - 0.2 % of value = customs procedures duty

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Weapons of all kinds
- Pornography
- Narcotics
- Toxic material
- Radioactive Material

CONSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Request a copy of consignment instructions before dispatch of the shipment to avoid potential clearance issues and extra storage charges at airport / inland terminal.

Recommended: Once the shipment is booked, please fax your pre-alert to the agent office along with a copy of the AWB / BL / CMR, packing list, passport copy, and full contact details of the consignee.

Helpful Tips

- Mark the waybills very clearly "Used household goods and personal effects."
- Packing list should be in English or Russian.
- Do not attach the inventory list used for the insurance purposes with the documents enclosed with the shipment.
- Under-declared valued inventory for customs purposes should be attached to the documents enclosed with the shipment.

Tajikistan

- Items such as books, CDs, audio, and videotapes should not be mentioned on the packing list. If it is necessary to include these items on the packing list, include the name of the author, year of publication, and topic of each item separately.
- Pre-alert along with the copies of waybill, packing list, customs valued inventory, and shipping schedule should be sent to the destination agent well in advance.

It is strongly recommended that all shipping documents be carefully prepared according to the instructions. This will help to avoid unnecessary delays and/or costly storage charges at destination.

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**CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
FOR EXPORTS**

ANTIQUES, ART EFFECTS, CARPETS, AND PAINTINGS

A. Documents Required

- Airway bill / Bill of lading / CMR
- Packing list
- Copy of the passport
- Copy of the visa
- Copy of dip card / Accreditation card (if available)
- Valued inventory in English and Russian
- Pro forma invoice
- Power of attorney
- Confirmation of employment

B. Specific Regulations

- Permission from the Tajik Ministry of Culture is required in order to export locally purchased carpets paintings and other art effects.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Antiques, such as carpets, paintings, books, icons or any other items which are considered to be of cultural and historical value **cannot** be exported.