



## **CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION FOR IMPORTS**

## **HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS**

### **Documents Required**

- · Detailed valued inventory list in Slovak and English, dated and signed by shipper
- Copy of Passport
- Slovak Residence Permit or application / Bank Guarantee / cash deposit
- Letter of Employment (must include shipper's date of birth and Passport number)
- Lease Agreement of 2 years minimum required, notarized original and 1 copy
- Accreditation Card (from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs) or confirmation from the Embassy of accreditation
- Original Bill of Lading (OBL) / Air Waybill (AWB)
- Customs Declaration Form

### **Specific Information**

- Detailed inventory list must include the brand name and the serial numbers of electronic items.
- The Letter of Employment must include a statement that the employer will pay any duties or taxes for the shipper, if applicable. For the owner of a private company or a self-employed shipper, the company must be registered.
- Household goods and personal effects may be imported duty and tax free if the following conditions are met:
  - o The goods have to have been used for a minimum of 6 months.
  - The goods may not be sold and may only be used for shipper's own purposes during the period stated by the Customs office.
  - The shipper must have lived abroad for more than 12 months before prior to entry into Slovakia.
- Household goods and personal effects must be imported within 6 months after shipper's arrival date.

# **MOTOR VEHICLES**

#### **Documents Required**

- Technical license
- Original Purchase Invoice

## **Specific Information**

- Motor vehicles must have used as a personal vehicle in the country of origin for a minimum of 6 months
- Motor vehicles must be unregistered and have a technical license.

#### **PETS**

# **Documents Required**

- Vaccination Record
- Veterinary Health Certificate

# SLOVAKIA

### **Specific Information**

- Pets must be identifiable through tattoo or an electronic identification system (e.g., microchip).
- Pets are examined upon arrival.
- The station manager of the transporting airline in Slovakia must be notified at least 24 hours prior to arrival of the animal.

## **RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS**

- Free import applies when traveling within the European Union; however, Customs is likely to investigate when bringing more than the following quantities into Slovakia:
  - Cigarettes (800), cigarillos (400 or 3 g each), cigars (200), smoking tobacco (1 kg)
  - Alcoholic beverages over 22% (10 L), less than 22% (20 L), beer (110 L), wine (90 L but no more than 60 L of sparkling wine)
- Persons over 17 years old traveling from outside the European Union into Slovakia, may import the following items free in personal luggage and within the limits indicated:
  - Cigarettes (200), cigarillos (100), cigars (50), smoking tobacco (250 g)
  - Alcohol not exceeding 22% volume (2 L), alcohol exceeding 22% volume or denatured ethyl alcohol 80% volume and higher (1 L), beer (16 L) wine (4 L)

#### PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Drugs
- Commercial vehicles
- Protected species and products thereof as listed by the Washington Convention (CITES), such as ivory, tortoise shells, coral, reptile skins, 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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http://www.state.gov/p/eur/ci/lo

http://slovakia.usembassy.gov