
CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FOR IMPORTS

HOUSEHOLD GOODS REMOVAL

A. Documents Required

- Packing list
- Original passport of owner with last entry stamp into Peru
- Copy of airway bill / original bill of lading
 - 2 original bills of lading will be required for sea shipments
- Legalized power of attorney

Foreigners with Employment Contract

- Photocopy of employment contract issued by the local employer and stamped by Peruvian Labor Ministry (not necessarily approved) or resident visa

Foreign and Returning Peruvian Diplomat

- Diplomatic import permit / franchise from Peruvian Ministry of Foreign Ministry Affairs

Returning Peruvian Citizen

- Export Declaration Form (DUA)
- Updated ID (DNI)
- Peruvian citizens wishing to import household goods and a vehicle duty free may do so. In order to qualify for duty free status, the following must be obtained:
 - Residence certificate issued by the Peruvian Embassy or consulate at origin. The residence certificate should, indicate the shipper's decision to stay in Peru for no less than five consecutive years after importation.
 - Immigration record
 - Copy of professional certificate
 - Inventory list indicating value of equipment that will be used in business
 - Business plan

B. Specific Regulations

- The packing list must be detailed and contain brand name and serial numbers for electrical items.
- Household goods shipment must not contain "packed by owner" (PBO) items
- The goods must arrive in Peru no earlier than one month before the owner's first entry into Peru.
- The goods must arrive no later than four months after owner's last entry into Peru.
- The goods must be used household goods and personal effects.
- Only diplomatic shipments are not subject to physical inspections by customs.
- When shipping household goods and a vehicle in the same container, it must be explicitly stated on the bill of lading.

Foreign and Returning Peruvian Diplomat

- Shipment of returning Peruvian diplomats will be subject to physical inspection by Peruvian Customs Authorities
- Shipment is duty free if value does not exceed amount authorized by Peruvian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Returning Peruvian Citizen

- Household goods previously exported from Peru may be imported duty free.
- Passport must contain all entry and departure stamps to Peru in last 13 months, with a maximum stay of 30 calendar days within this length of time.
- Peruvian citizens may import used household goods and vehicle duty free (not exceeding US\$30,000.00 each). In order to do so, they must prove their desire to develop a business in Peru.
- SUNAT in Peru must approve the request. Paperwork takes about 30 calendar days to be issued by SUNAT. Shipment must not be released to Peru until having information from SUNAT.
- The consignee must not have used this benefit in the last two years.

MOTOR VEHICLES

A. Documents Required

- Original passport of owner with last entry stamp to Peru
- Two original bills of lading showing model, year, engine number, & VIN
- Legalized power of attorney
- Original purchase invoice
- Certificate of Title
- Inspection certificate
- Insurance certificate or letter for not insuring
- Customs form (DUA) signed by the shipper
- Tax ID number (RUC) of consignee
- Diplomatic import permit / franchise from Peruvian Ministry of Foreign Ministry Affairs (Applicable only for diplomats and returning Peruvian diplomats)

B. Specific Regulations

- Only diplomat vehicle imports are not subject to physical inspections by customs. Diplomats are also not required to obtain an inspection certificate.
- An inspection certificate is issued by a company like SGS or Bureau Veritas prior to shipping from origin.
- Taxes, duties, and fees for vehicles:
 - New vehicle: 9% ad valorem + 19% Sales Peruvian Taxes + 10% of CIF value
 - Used vehicle: 9% ad valorem + 30% "Selectivo" + 19% Sales Peruvian Taxes + 10% of CIF value
 - Perception tax 5% - new and used vehicle
 - Customs Fee: 29 USD for new and used vehicles
 - Technical inspection for specifications & supervision: 300.00 USD flat
- A vehicle cannot be imported if it has driven more than 80,000 km.

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- Used vehicles and motorcycles cannot be more than 5 years old.
- Cars fueled by gasoline or natural gas are not restricted.
- If plan on importing a vehicle fueled by diesel, please contact the local agent in Peru for specific details.
- Prior to shipping the local agent in Peru should be advised of make, model, year, chassis number, motor number, engine capacity, mileage, and general description of vehicle.
- **Do not ship the vehicle until agent has given you the green light. Import processes for vehicles are notoriously difficult in Peru.**

Foreigner and Returning Peruvian Diplomat

- One car is allowed duty free.
- Only vehicles owned by diplomats will be duty free.
- Shipment of returning Peruvian diplomats will be subject to physical inspection by Peruvian Customs Authorities.
 - The shipment will be duty free as long as the value does not exceed the amount authorized by the Peruvian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and its engine does not exceed 2,000 c.c.
- Franchise will be granted to:
 - Foreign representatives of international organizations.
 - Members of foreign armed forces working on official missions.
 - Diplomats, embassy officers, and returning Peruvian diplomats who have completed their diplomatic mission abroad

PETS

A. Documents Required

- Sanitary certificate issued in country of origin
- Anti-rabies vaccination certificate issued in country of origin
- General health certificate issued in country of origin

B. Specific Regulations

- It is recommended to bring pets into Peru as “accompanied baggage”.
- Otherwise, import duties will be assessed.
- There is no quarantine for cats or dogs.

RESTRICTED/DUTIABLE ITEMS

Firearms and Ammunitions

A. Documents Required

- Proof of ownership
- Special permission / license obtained from the Ministry of Interior prior to shipment arrival

B. Specific Regulations

- No automatic arms are allowed.

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- Subject to confiscation if requirements are not met.

Food

- In air shipments, food items must not exceed 10% of total net weight.
- Food is allowed in small quantities.

Refrigeration Devices (Refrigerators / Freezers / Air Conditioners)

A. Documents Required

- Original manufacturer's certificate stating the coolant used. This certificate must be issued on the manufacturer's letterhead and signed by that manufacturer (not dealer or store)
- Technical specification manual
- If technical specification manual is not available, clear pictures of the 4 sides of the appliance must be submitted. Specifically, the label that displays specifications and type of gas utilized must be photographed.

B. Specific Regulations

- Import permission must be requested from the OTO-Peru office. The cost for this request is 75.00 USD.
- Approved permission must be provided before arrival of goods into Peru.
- Items are subject to confiscation if requirements are not met.

Telecommunication Equipment (Radio / Facsimile / Telephone)

A. Documents Required

- Original invoice of each item

B. Specific Regulations

- One unit allowed; additional items require permission

CONSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Consignee:

Consignee's full name in passport
c/o local agent in Peru
Full address of local agent

Notify:

Same as consignee party

Recommended: Once the shipment is booked, please fax your pre-alert to the agent office along with a copy of the airway bill / bill of lading, packing list, passport copy, and full contact details of the consignee. As consignment instructions change from time to time, it is prudent to reconfirm the advised consignment instructions prior to shipping particularly if the client will be importing as a diplomat.

Helpful Tips

- Mark the waybills very clearly "Used household goods and personal effects."
- Packing list should be in English or Spanish.
- Consignee on airway bill / bill of lading must be owner's full name as in passport.
- Pre-alert along with the copies of the waybill, packing list, and shipping schedule should be sent well in advance.
- Check with agent prior to shipping other types of pets as some may require additional permits from agriculture (SAG).

Note: Peru has adopted the International Regulations on Phytosanitary Policy (NIMF) N° 15 on wooden packing used in international trade, adopted by the FAO in 2002. This regulation describes the Phytosanitary measures applicable in order to reduce the introduction and plague dissemination risk through wooden packing. Compliance with this regulation is mandatory in Peru as of September 01, 2005.

Phytosanitary inspection will be done at the port/airport of entry in Peru. If packing is not marked per NIMF N° 15, entry will be denied. If packing is properly labelled, but evidence of live plagues is found, Customs may deny entry, put packages in quarantine, order their treatment, return them to origin or destroy them.

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