

Importing Personal Property Into

Taiwan

IMPORTING HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

DUTY-FREE ENTRY IS PERMITTED IF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS ARE MET:

- The goods are considered necessary and in appropriate quantity and value for personal use and consumption.
- Goods are owned by the shipper and are being imported for personal use only.

Notes:

- The shipper must be in the country during customs clearance.
- The shipment must arrive within 6 months after the shipper's arrival in Taiwan.
- All new items are subject to duty

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- Original passport of the shipper and passport copies of each family member.
- Copies of the Birth Certificates for each child and a copy of the Marriage License if applicable.
- Original ocean bill of lading or air waybill
- ✓ Complete copy of inventory (packing list)
- ✓ Shipper's Arrival Certificate (vellow page)
- Customs Declaration Form (Inward Passenger's Declaration) for unaccompanied baggage stating the quantity and value of each item, completed upon arrival of the shipper.
- Residence Visa
- ✓ Proof of employment
- Certificate of residence
- Working permit from Chinese government or original of Alien Resident Certificate

RESTRICTED/DUTIABLE ITEMS:

- Alcoholic beverages and tobacco require an import permit from Taiwan Tobacco Company and Liquor Monopoly Bureau.
- Currency and gold bullion require an Import Permit

- Only one stove, refrigerator, washer, dryer, piano or organ is considered duty free.
 Additional items are subject to duty.
- One Air Conditioner, TV, stereo, dehumidifier, amplifier, turn table, speaker set, tape deck or receiver is considered duty free. Additional items are subject to duty
- Carpets
- Animal furs and ivory require a "Cites Approval" prior to shipping

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Counterfeit coins, security notes, bank notes; plate or dies for printing or casting forged currencies.
- Gambling apparatus, lottery tickets, and other similar prize tickets issued in a foreign country.
- Obscene and indecent books and publications, pictures and articles.
- Politically sensitive materials.
- Animals and animal parts/ products protected under the Washington Treaty.
- Uncooked meat and poultry.
- All items from the Peoples Republic of China (P.R.C.) are strictly prohibited.
- Weapons including toy weapons, hunting knives, bows, firearms, ammunitions and explosives are strictly forbidden.
- Non-prescription drugs including opium, poppy seeds, cannabis indica, cocaine and synthetic narcotics.
- Animal hides
- Live and dried flowers/plants
- Articles infringing the rights of patents, designs and trademarks, and copyrights of other persons.
- Fresh fruits
- Seeds

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IMPORTING MOTOR VEHICLES AND PETS

IMPORTATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES:

- Motor vehicles must not be included in a household goods shipment.
- Duty and taxes will be assessed on automobiles.
- New cars (under one year old) and cars over 10 years old are not allowed importation into Taiwan.
- The car must have been in the shipper's name for more than one year.
- Only one car is allowed importation and must use lead-free gasoline.
- Only Left-hand drives are allowed

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- Owner's passport
- ✓ Work Certificate
- ✓ Owner's Residence Visa
- ✓ Import Permit with the car's full description
- Original paperwork of the car
- Purchase invoice
- ✓ Driver's license
- ✓ Registration/ Title
- Description of the vehicle including it's make, model, year, color, engine number, number of doors, air conditioned, radio, etc.

IMPORTATION OF PETS:

- All pets are dutiable
- Dog and cats will be quarantined for at least 21 days originating in a "non-rabies free" country
- All dogs must have a micro-chip implant
- Birds will be quarantined up to 7 days.
- After quarantine is complete, the pet should be kept in continuous supervision at the owner's residence for 6 months.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- ✓ Import Permit
- ✓ Photocopy of owner's passport
- Birds require a certificate of no Fowl Pest, no New Castle Disease and no Psittra Casis. The certificate must be approved by the Department of Agriculture of local government.
- Application form to Bureau of Commodity Inspection and Quarantine issued by the shipper's company in Taiwan.
- Copy of Health Certificate from the government or state sponsored agency with their seal, dated at least 10 days prior to departure.
- Copy of Rabies Vaccination Certificate stating the vaccine was administered 30 days prior to the flight, but not more than 1 year prior to departure.
- ✓ Six (4X6) color photographs of the pet

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