

# **ACE MOVING**

# AIR-SEA-TRUCK-RAIL TO DOOR DELIVERY SHIPMENTS PACKING-CUSTOMS-WAREHOUSING

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# UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

# **CUSTOMS REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION FOR IMPORTS**

## **HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS**

#### **Documents Required**

- Copy of Passport
- Copy of Residence Permit
- Original Bill of Lading (OBL) / Air / Waybill (AWB)
- Detailed Packing list
- Insurance Certificate
- Letter of Employment
- Copy of UAE Visa
- Letter from Ministry of Foreign Affairs for exemption from the payment of Customs duties (Diplomats)
- Pro-forma Invoice (Diplomats)
- Copy of Diplomatic Card (Diplomats)

#### Specific Information

- Import shipments may be intensively inspected by Customs authorities.
- The importation of household goods and personal effects into the UAE is exempted from Customs duties.
- If any prohibited items are found during the Customs inspection, severe punishment will be imposed including fines, imprisonment or both.
- Import of all consumable goods, such as clothing, food items, cosmetics, beverages, etc. is subject to the payment of Customs duties and value added tax (VAT).
- All import duties are charged based on the costs, insurance and freight (CIF) value of the shipment.
- Do not send insurance or any other documents showing the true value of the goods with the shipment to avoid the payment of heavy Customs duties.

## **MOTOR VEHICLES**

# **Documents Required**

- Copy of Passport
- Copy of Visa
- Copy of Diplomatic Card (Diplomats)
- Original Certificate of Origin
- Residence Permit
- OBL / AWB
- Vehicle Certificate of Title (must include detailed description, including engine number, year of production, color, etc.)
- Commercial Invoice / Original Purchase Invoice
- Insurance policy
- Proof of ownership

# **Specific Information**

- Consignee must be present for Customs inspection.
- Vehicles with tinted glass restricted for import.
- Used cars are subject to Customs duty and tax.

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# **PETS**

#### **Documents Required**

- Certificate of Vaccination
- Veterinary Health Certificate
- Import Permit

#### **Specific Information**

Permission from the Embassy is required for importation.

## RESTRICTED / DUTIABLE ITEMS

- The following items may qualify for free import if within the limits indicated: o
   Cigarettes (400), cigars (50), tobacco (500)
  - Spirits, wine and beer (24 cans per carton and no more than 355 ml per can)

# **PROHIBITED ITEMS**

- Weapons of all kinds
- Military uniforms
- Alcohol
- Narcotics of all kinds, including poppy seeds, flowers and leaves
- Banned substances, including drugs and medicines without prescription
- · Radio transmitters, wireless transmitters and communication equipment
- Statues and figures of animals with religious undertones
- Nude carvings and statues of humans
- Pornographic materials
- Controversial political literature and materials contrary to Islamic principles
- Toxic and radioactive materials
- Items manufacture by Israeli black-list and of Israeli origin
- Food items containing port
- Articles made from endangered animals or made of ivory

## **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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