

Iraq Customs Information	Regulations on Household Goods and Personal Effects Shipments in Iraq
<p>Import of Household Goods : <i>Foreigners</i></p>	<p>Foreigners can import their shipments to Iraq with submitting the following documents for customs clearance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Packing list ➤ Proforma invoice ➤ Passport copy ➤ Copy of AWB ➤ Copy of work contract ➤ Letter from employer addressed to Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Finance, requesting import customs clearance of household goods and personal effects of their employee. The letter needs to contain the contract number and the length of employment in Iraq (dates in the letter must match with the dates in the work contract) – required for shipments going to Kurdistan area ➤ Authorization letter from the origin agent – required for shipments going to Kurdistan area <p>Duties and taxes are to be paid; amount will be around 8-10% of the declared customs value (based on the proforma invoice).</p>
<p>Import of Household Goods : <i>Returning Iraqi citizens</i></p>	<p>Returning Iraqi citizens can import their shipments to Iraq with submitting the following documents for customs clearance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Packing list ➤ Proforma invoice ➤ Passport copy ➤ Copy of AWB ➤ Copy of work contract ➤ Letter from employer the shipper worked for abroad addressed to Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Finance, requesting import customs clearance of household goods and personal effects of their former employee. The letter needs to contain the contract number and the length of employment abroad (dates in the letter must match with the dates in the work contract) – required for shipments going to Kurdistan area ➤ Authorization letter from the origin agent – required for shipments going to Kurdistan area <p>Duties and taxes are to be paid, amount will be around 8-10% of the declared customs value (based on the proforma invoice).</p>
<p>Import of Household Goods: <i>Diplomats</i></p>	<p>Diplomats can receive diplomatic exemption if country has an Embassy in Baghdad. For import customs clearance the following documents are needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Packing list ➤ Proforma invoice ➤ Passport copy ➤ Copy of AWB ➤ Copy of work contract ➤ Diplomatic protocol endorsed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Finance ➤ Letter from employer addressed to Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Finance, requesting import customs clearance of household goods and personal effects of their employee. The letter needs to contain the contract number and the length of employment in Iraq (dates in the letter must match with the dates in the work contract) – required for shipments going to Kurdistan area ➤ Authorization letter from the origin agent – required for shipments going to Kurdistan area
<p>Notes</p>	<p>Import procedure in Iraq is very time consuming and system is not working properly. Even the diplomatic customs clearance can take 2 weeks or longer.</p> <p>Please note that due to the current situation in Iraq regulations change daily and rules in use in certain parts of the country may differ from the ones described above. Apart from Baghdad, our agent has an office in Erbil (Northern Iraq, Kurdistan area) as well, but the import process there is different and the required documents for customs clearance might also vary from the ones requested in Baghdad. In order to avoid any unnecessary delays and storage charges, before sending any shipment to the country please contact Bolliger Movers to check the current paperwork requirements.</p>
<p>Prohibited Items:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Weapons ➤ Drugs ➤ Pornographic materials ➤ Any kind of tactical gear

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Import of Vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It is not allowed for individuals to import vehicles for personal use on a temporary regime, customs clearance must be done on a permanent bases. ▪ Vehicles for company use can be imported on a temporary as well as on a permanent basis. ▪ Vehicles (non-armoured) brought into the country must be manufactured in 2010 or later, otherwise import will not be allowed. ▪ Apart from the paperwork required for customs clearance of normal household goods, the following documents are needed for import customs clearance of a vehicle: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Ownership paperwork ➢ Certificate of title ➢ Proforma invoice ➢ Passport copy ➢ Copy of BOL ➢ In case of vehicle import for a company, approval from Ministry of Interior as well as from regional customs office will be required. <p>Payment of 8-10% duties and taxes is applicable if no diplomatic protocol is received from consignee's Embassy. Amount of duties and taxes is calculated based on the declared customs value indicated on the proforma invoice.</p>
Import of Pets	<p>Documents required for import customs clearance of pets (dogs and cats) coming to Iraq:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Pet's passport / vaccination history - including up to date vaccines. Rabies vaccine has to be at least 30 days, but not more than 1 year old prior to arrival to Iraq ➢ Microchip ➢ International health certificate endorsed by government vet at country of origin ➢ Copy of owners passport ➢ Copy of owners residence or work permit for Iraq / for diplomats – copy of client's diplomatic accreditation ➢ Power of attorney – allowing our agents to act on clients' behalf ➢ Import permit issued by Iraqi Ministry of health – our agent can apply for it on client's behalf <p>Import of working dogs is possible after submitting the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Vaccination history including microchip identification ➢ International health certificate endorsed by government vet at country of origin ➢ Working certifications ➢ Details of company that is final consignee for the dogs ➢ Copies of the contract that the dogs are coming into country under ➢ Import permit issued by Iraqi Ministry of health
Notes	<p>All documents' copies need to be translated in Arabic at time of applying for the import permit.</p> <p>It is possible to arrange pre clearance of live animals arriving to Iraq, with the import permit ready and approval received by Iraqi central customs.</p>
Import of Carpets, Paintings, Musical Instruments, Art Effects and Antiques	<p>Since there are no set rules yet for import of these items to Iraq, before sending any of the items above to the country please contact Bolliger Movers to check the current documentation requirements.</p>
Import of Special Items (i.e. Rifles, Stuffed Animals, etc.)	<p>Import of special items to Iraq such as rifles and stuffed animals is not allowed.</p>
Import of Wine, Spirits and Tobacco	<p>Import of alcohol and tobacco products to Iraq is allowed for holders of diplomatic status only and the maximum quantity which can be imported per person is 1 carton of cigarettes.</p> <p>Please note that there are no set rules for individuals therefore, please avoid to include these items in a normal HHG shipment.</p>

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<i>Export of Household Goods</i>	<p>Foreigners, Iraqi citizens, Diplomats</p> <p>For any export shipment from Iraq the following documents are requested for customs clearance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Packing list ➤ Proforma invoice ➤ Passport copy ➤ Copy of AWB
<i>Notes</i>	<p>A new flight monopoly in Iraq makes airfreight extremely difficult at the time being, therefore before planning any HHG export shipment from Iraq please contact Bolliger Movers.</p>
<i>Prohibited Items</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Weapons ➤ Drugs ➤ Pornographic materials ➤ Any kind of tactical gear
<i>Export of Vehicles</i>	<p>Please note that as of November 2009 export of vehicles from Iraq is only possible via Military Airbase.</p> <p>Documents required for export customs clearance are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ownership paperwork ➤ Certificate of Title ➤ Proforma invoice ➤ Passport copy ➤ Copy of shipping document
<i>Export of Pets</i>	<p>Please note that export of pets from Baghdad area is not feasible. It is possible to arrange pet export from Kurdistan.</p> <p>Documents required but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Pet's passport / vaccination history - including up to date vaccines (minimum 30 days, but less than 1 year old at the time of travel) ➤ Microchip number ➤ Health certificate endorsed by government vet in Iraq <p>Because of the changing requirements, Iraqi customs may require additional paperwork to be provided. Please contact Bolliger Movers for confirming the current documentation requirements before the planned shipping.</p>
<i>Export of Carpets, Paintings, Musical Instruments, Art Effects and Antiques</i>	<p>Please note there are no set rules in place yet for export of these items from Iraq, therefore before sending any of the items above in a HHG shipment please contact Bolliger Movers to check the current documentation requirements.</p>
<i>Export of Special Items (i.e. Rifles, Stuffed Animals, etc.)</i>	<p>Export of special items from Iraq such as rifles and stuffed animals is not allowed.</p>
<i>Export of Wine, Spirits and Tobacco</i>	<p>Please note there are no set rules as of yet for export of alcohol and tobacco products from Iraq, therefore before sending any of the items above in a HHG shipment please contact Bolliger Movers to check the current documentation requirements.</p>