

Korea <i>Customs Information for Diplomats</i>	
<b>Documents Required</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Duty/tax free application letter from Ministry of Foreign Affairs.</li> <li>✓ Power of Attorney</li> </ul>
<b>Customs Regulations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ All shipments 100% inspected</li> <li>➢ Shipment must arrive within six months of customer's arrival (three months if coming from Southeast Asia)</li> <li>➢ Used household goods and personal effects are duty-free for foreigners, who intend to reside in Korea for over one year with family or two years alone (classified as HHG/PE shipments). If estimated length of stay is less than the required period, shipment is classified as a semi-HHG/PE shipment, resulting in higher duties</li> <li>➢ Used household goods and personal effects for returning Koreans are duty-free if they have lived in a foreign country for over two years alone; or one year with family.</li> <li>➢ All items (even if used) are dutiable if owner does not meet above duty-free criteria.</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: ALL KOREAN CUSTOMS PROCEDURES ARE TIGHTLY CONTROLLED AND CLEARANCE CAN BE OBTAINED ONLY AT BUSAN, INCHON OR SEOUL BY SURFACE; SEOUL OR BUSAN BY AIR .</p> <p>For Ocean shipments, Korean Customs will designate an appropriate bonded customs warehouse based on customer's actual delivery address in Korea. The destination address should be provided prior to departure. If not yet available, temporarily use the address of the Destination Agent, but be sure to amend to the shipper's actual delivery address in order to clear customs and avoid any penalty or fine.</p> <p>For Ocean shipments, Korean Customs requires that the customer write and sign the following on each page of import documents (packing list, Bill of Lading, etc): "I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document" (with his/her signature or stamp).</p>
<b>Motor Vehicles</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ Duty / tax free</li> </ul>
<b>Pets</b>	<p>Quarantine period is same day if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ vaccination was administered 30 days or earlier before arrival (90 day or older pets)</li> <li>✓ it is from a rabies-free country .</li> </ul> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Rabies-free countries: Japan, Taiwan, Ireland, Cypress, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Singapore, Portugal</p> <p>Documents required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Passport of owner and family</li> <li>✓ Rabies Vaccination Certificate (for 90 day or older pets)</li> <li>✓ Health Certificate (for 90 day or younger pets)</li> </ul> <p><b>Note: IF PETS ARE IMPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA OR MALAYSIA, PLEASE CONTACT US FOR.</b></p>
<b>Useful Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ Korean customs do not allow port-to-door delivery of a loose load container.</li> <li>➢ It must be unloaded at the customs bonded warehouse and inspected. After customs clearance, the goods will be transported to the residence by truck.</li> </ul>
<b>Dutiable / Restricted Items</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ None</li> </ul>
<b>Prohibited Items</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ Narcotics and medicines without prescriptions</li> <li>➢ Firearms, weapons and ammunition (rifles can only be imported with a special permit from the proper Korean authority)</li> <li>➢ Pornographic or politically sensitive material</li> <li>➢ Imitation banking notes or coins of foreign countries</li> <li>➢ Plants (requires quarantine inspection)</li> <li>➢ Meats and fish (requires quarantine inspection)</li> </ul>

**Korea** *Customs Information for Foreign Citizens*

**Documents Required**

- ✓ Legible Copy of Passport for each member of the Family
- ✓ Visa (must be valid for over one year)
- ✓ Entry Stamp
- ✓ Work Permit from Embassy stating that customer will be in Korea for over twelve months
- ✓ Residence Card for each member of the family or an Employment Certificate (terms of stay should state over 2 years)
- ✓ Inventory (original and one copy) must be legible
- ✓ Customs declaration forms (Moving & forwarding declaration, Detailed statement of major items)
- ✓ Power of Attorney
- ✓ Delivery address and contact phone number

NOTE: CUSTOMER'S CORRECT NAME (AS SHOWN ON PASSPORT) MUST BE SHOWN ON ALL DOCUMENTS; OTHERWISE SHIPMENT WILL NOT BE RELEASED BY KOREAN CUSTOMS

**Customs Regulations**

- All shipments 100% inspected
- Shipment must arrive within six months of customer's arrival (three months if coming from Southeast Asia)
- Used household goods and personal effects are duty-free for foreigners, who intend to reside in Korea for over one year with family or two years alone (classified as HHG/PE shipments). If estimated length of stay is less than the required period, shipment is classified as a semi-HHG/PE shipment, resulting in higher duties
- Used household goods and personal effects for returning Koreans are duty-free if they have lived in a foreign country for over two years alone; or one year with family.
- All items (even if used) are dutiable if owner does not meet above duty-free criteria.

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**Motor Vehicles**

- 1 car per family allowed
- Motor vehicles must have been owned by the member of the family for 3 months
- Compulsory inspection for exhaustion & noise must be done if the motor vehicle is imported by a foreign national (Cost: \$2,000 - \$6,000).
- Motor vehicles are generally dutiable regardless of whether new or used
- Foreign made cars may not be sold or transferred for at least 6 months
- Boats and motorcycles are dutiable

Documents required:

- ✓ Original Registration Certificate
- ✓ Original Purchase Receipt or Invoice, with certified purchase amount
- ✓ Work Permit valid for more than one year
- ✓ Passport
- ✓ Customs Declaration
- ✓ Title
- ✓ Insurance Policy

Vehicle must be listed on the inventory with full technical specifications (make, model, plate number, year, etc.)

**Pets**

Quarantine period is same day if:

- vaccination was administered 30 days or earlier before arrival (90 day or older pets)
  - it is from a rabies-free country
- Rabies-free countries: Japan, Taiwan, Ireland, Cypress, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Singapore, Portugal

Documents required:

- ✓ Passport of owner and family
- ✓ Rabies Vaccination Certificate (for 90 day or older pets)
- ✓ Health Certificate (for 90 day or younger pets)
- ✓ 4 pets per family can be imported without prior approval.

IF PETS ARE IMPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA OR MALAYSIA, PLEASE CONTACT US FOR .

Korea <i>Customs Information for Foreign Citizens (cont)</i>	
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<b>Prohibited Items</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Narcotics and medicines without prescriptions</li> <li>➤ Firearms, weapons and ammunition (rifles can only be imported with a special permit from the proper Korean authority)</li> <li>➤ Pornographic or politically sensitive material</li> <li>➤ Imitation banking notes or coins of foreign countries</li> <li>➤ Plants (requires quarantine inspection)</li> <li>➤ Meats and fish (requires quarantine inspection)</li> </ul>

Korea <i>Customs Information for Returning Citizens</i>	
<b>Documents Required</b> <a href="#">Korean Version</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Original Passport with departure and entry stamp.</li> <li>✓ KOREAN CONSIGNEES ARE REQUESTED TO BE PRESENT AT CUSTOMS EXAMINATION.</li> </ul>
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