

<b>Thailand Customs Information</b>	
<b>Prohibited and Restricted Goods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Firearms, ammunition, pornographic literature and short-wave radios are prohibited.</li> <li>➤ For non diplomatic automobiles and motorcycles the shipper must obtain approval from the Ministry of Commerce prior to his forwarding the vehicles from origin, this import permit is not normally granted to foreigners.</li> <li>➤ Heavy import taxes are placed on automobiles, under 2,400 CC 213% CIF, under 3000 CC 251% CIF and from 3000 CC 308% CIF.</li> <li>➤ Automobiles &amp; Motorcycles</li> </ul>
<b>Pets</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ All pets require vaccination valid for 1 year and health certificates.</li> <li>➤ There is no quarantine. Please fax for details.</li> <li>➤ Handling charges US\$350.00 for 1st pet and US\$150.00 for additional pets, excluding duties.</li> </ul>
<b>Automobiles</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ If the automobile does not belong to a diplomat, it is very difficult to bring in. Please fax more details to your removal company.</li> </ul>
<b>Household Goods and Personal Effects: Exempt from Duty</b>	<p>A. <b>DIPLOMATIC:</b> Please note documentation processing for diplomatic shipments takes approximately 10 days by the respective embassy. It is therefore necessary for us to receive all documentation as early as possible prior to shipment arrival in order for it to be checked and passed to the embassy for earliest processing to avoid port storage and demurrage charges.</p> <p>B. <b>1 YEAR WORK PERMIT:</b> Only a full 1 year work permit will be considered for duty exemption. No other work permit or retirement visa will be considered. Original passport and original work permit must be presented to Customs for inspection. Bond facility is not available pending issuance of work permit. Without the one-year work permit, shipment will be dutiable, only original passport is required during customs clearance.</p> <p>C. <b>RETURNING THAI:</b> Only Thais who have been overseas for a full year or more will be considered. Too frequent travelling back and forth can cause problems should Customs deem the owner to have not been permanently based in origin country. Each stay in Thailand must not be more than 3 months each time. Shipper has never imported goods into Thailand. Original passport (old passport might be needed), copy of a house certificate and copy of Thai ID card must be presented during the customs inspection.</p> <p>FURTHERMORE, the following restrictions must always be met for B&amp;C above or the entire shipment will be classified as non-exempt:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Shipment must originate from same country as owner's last place of residence or place of work.</li> <li>➤ Shipment must arrive in Thailand not earlier than 1 month prior to owner's arrival/return to Thailand.</li> <li>➤ Shipment must arrive in Thailand not later than 6 months after owner's arrival/return to Thailand.</li> <li>➤ Thai customs allow only one sea and one small air shipment.</li> <li>➤ Must contain used items (not new).</li> <li>➤ Only one of each type of electrical appliance is allowed, duplicate appliances will be charged full duties.</li> </ul>
<b>Household Goods and Personal Effects: Non Exempt from Duty</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>High duties</b> are placed on all goods not conforming with section 1 above. Particularly high duties apply to electrical goods, plasma/LCD TV, carpets and luxury goods.</li> <li>➤ Toys, baby items, foodstuff, alcohol, office items, including files, bicycle, exercise equipment, sport equipment, golf set, luxury items including crystal glasses and Porcelain vases, and fax machines <b>ARE DUTIABLE</b> and will not be considered for duty exemption. Especially sending via airfreight</li> <li>➤ Customs at the airport is very strict. They are not expecting shipper to send a large used HHG via air and intend to go through goods more thoroughly during the inspection. We recommend sending most of the electrical goods, baby toys and golf club via sea shipment if possible.</li> <li>➤ <b>Prohibited articles</b> include firearms, ammunition, pornographic literature, short-wave radios, medical equipment, some Buddha head, gold and silver.</li> <li>➤ Wine and spirits, foodstuffs, Buddha statue require special import licensing and should not be included in the shipment without prior consultation</li> </ul>

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<b>Household Goods and Personal Effects: Non Exempt from Duty</b> <i>(continuation)</i>	<p>➤ <b>For all inbound shipments</b> (except diplomatic) we must have clients actual passport for clearance. With all documentation in order, clearance typically takes 3-5 working days.</p> <p>We suggest to always contact your removal company in advance if there is any doubt and to fax them a copy of packing list should owner/agent wish to have any possible problem items determined / assessed.</p> <p>Any costs incurred as a result of your removal company not having the proper documentation prior to the shipments arrival will be billed back to the origin agent.</p> <p><b>Personal and household effects</b> may be imported duty free in respect provided certain criteria are met. Shippers without duty free status can still import subject to payment of duties and taxes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Shipments</b> must arrive no later than six months after the arrival of the importer, to qualify for duty free status.</li> <li>➤ Persons possessing a one year non-immigrant visa with a valid work permit at the time shipment is imported can import one sea and one air shipment of used household goods duty free from country of last residence.</li> <li>➤ <b>Returning Thai residents</b> having stayed abroad for more than 12 months can import one air and one sea shipment of used household goods duty free.</li> <li>➤ <b>Citizens other than Thai nationals</b>, on change of domicile if holding a Thai resident visa can also import from country of last residence one air and one sea shipment of used household goods duty free (providing that they have been abroad for more than 12 months).</li> <li>➤ Persons under diplomatic passport, Thai Government recognised AID organisations &amp; Board of Investment, who are allowed to stay in Thailand for a certain period (usually one - two years) can also import one air and one sea shipment of used household goods duty free.</li> </ul>
<b>Documents Required</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Copies of the inventory.</li> <li>✓ Ocean bill of lading.</li> <li>✓ The shipper's original passport.</li> </ul>
<b>Consignment</b>	<p><b>All non diplomatic shipments must be consigned to:</b>                  Shipper's full name (as in passport)                  C/O OMNI agent (name with completed address)</p> <p><b>Diplomatic shipments</b> must be consigned to the shipper's name (as in passport) c/o their embassy mission, or organisation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All shipments must be marked on the ocean bills of lading or air waybills as "Used Personal Effects".</li> <li>▪ Do not declare as household directs or household effects or household goods.</li> </ul>
<b>Additional Information</b>	<p>Failure to follow above instructions may cause serious customs delays and result in higher import fees for the shipper.</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> that due to the very narrow and congested streets in Bangkok, it is very difficult to move 40' containers to shippers' residences. While 20' containers can be delivered to some residences it is advisable to avoid loose packing the containers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ It is recommended to pack all goods into wooden lift vans. This ensures that the goods can be brought directly to the residence without re-handling.</li> </ul> <p>Updated 15th September 2006</p>

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