

Venezuela <i>Customs Information</i>	
Prohibited and Restricted Goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Firearms, drugs, pornographic material, food, alcoholic beverages. ➤ If any of these items are included in a shipment, they may be confiscated and serious delays may develop in the clearance process.
Customs Regulations - Import Shipments arriving to Venezuela	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Please obtain an official document from the SENIAT (Venezuela Tax Office) stating that non residents with a TRANSEUNTE VISA (Business, Investor, Student, Work, etc.) are eligible to obtain the Certificate of Use at the Venezuelan Consulates or Embassies located in the origin countries, in order to avoid the payment of import customs duties and taxes on their HHGDS & PE shipments arriving to Venezuela (like for returning Venezuelan and residents that has been out of the country for at least during one year). ➤ The HHGDS & PE must have been used at least during six (6) months and must show use, otherwise the customs inspector could consider these items as brand new, in which case customs duties and taxes will be assessed to the shipment (like for returning Venezuelan and residents that has been out of the country for at least during one year). ➤ Also for importing cars the non residents can apply for a Certificate of Use, but only if the car has been under shipper's name at least during eleven (11) months (like for returning Venezuelan and residents that have been out of the country for at least during one year). ➤ Venezuelan Customs requests that all export and import shipments be registered at the customs systems data before perform clearance to the cargos. For each shipment out from Venezuela (sea & air) the R.I.F. (one of the requirements) will be needed in order to submit documents to customs and perform customs clearance. ➤ Shipment details will be loaded to the SIDUNEA database which will give the green light in order to perform the export process. <p>Important: Non residents must arrive in Venezuela before the arrival of the shipment in order to avoid problems with customs, as this document states that in order to apply the above regulations, the expat must be established in Venezuela, because a proof of residence could be requested by customs.</p>
Household Goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Household goods and personal effects which have been used for over 6 months may be imported duty free, if covered by a Certificate of Use, stamped by the Venezuelan consulate in origin (see below for further details) which is granted only to returning Venezuelan citizens and to returning residents. ➤ All other shipments (except diplomats) must be prepared to pay import duties, taxes and VAT. ➤ The shipper must be in Venezuela when the shipment arrives.
Documents Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Original bill of lading or air waybill. (2 original bills of lading are required for surface shipments) ✓ Shipper's passport showing entry stamp of the immigration office at the airport. ✓ Copy of shipper's personal R.I.F. (Venezuelan Taxpayer's registration number). ✓ Signature of shipper on customs forms supplied locally in Venezuela by the destination agent. ✓ Detailed inventory (packing list), preferably by lift vans. PBO's are not accepted. All items must state contents. ✓ Certificate of Use (if applicable) and attached inventory, both in Spanish, stamped by the Venezuelan Consulate in origin. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No values should be shown on the Certificate nor on the attached inventory. ▪ Shipments should only be forwarded once this document has been obtained. ▪ Shipments without this certificate will be subject to payment of duties, taxes and VAT. ✓ Franchise for diplomatic shipments. ✓ No values should be declared on shipping documents, including value on airway bill. ✓ Purchase invoices are required for all new items in the shipment.
Automobiles	<p>Please request latest regulations from your OMNI Member before shipping.</p>
Export Documentation	<p>OMNI Would like to thank Juerg Degenmann for providing the attached documentation needed to obtain export clearance from Venezuela.</p> <p>Please click to download:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Export Procedures (pdf) Ingreso Mercancias Puerto (pdf) Poder Aereo (doc) Poder Maritimo (doc) Click here to download ZIP file including of all of the above

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